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RECORDS OF FORT ST. GEORGE

DESPATCHES TO ENGLAND 1743--46.

ABSTRACT OF GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY DATED JANUARY 27, 1743, RECEIVED PER WALPOLE 5TH. AUGT. 1743.

[*Coast and Bay Abstracts, Vol. 4, pp. 404–9 (India Office Transcript).*]

1. Wrote last Per Benjamin.

2. The 6th. Instant recd. The Companys Letter of 26th. and 31st. March. 1ST. OF SHIPPING

3. Shaftesbury Saild 12th. October for Bengal got there 13 Decr.
Wilmington arrivd from Bengal 6 Janry. Saild for Fort St. David 19th. to take in the Bales and be dispatchd thence.
Walpole arrived 11th. January.

4. The Companys Ship Princess Augusta dispatched from Bencoolen the 8th. Septr. made the best of her Way to Bengal, Sufferd Damage in a Storm but got there the 8th. December.

5. Sumatra Saild for Bencoolen 11th. October with the Bombay Vessell of great Use there.

6. Sloop Carolina remains still in Fort St. David River no rain since October.

7. Captains of Wilmington and Walpole came from Bengal Twenty Men short of Complement, Petitioned to be Supplied The Company dont intend they should part with the Military Its difficult to get Lascars desire it may be recommended to Captains to supply 'emselves in Bengal.

8. Advises of Bombay Ships on Coast of Mallabar.

9. Sold 60 Pipes Madeira Wine Per Shaftesbury at Pags. 45. 24. 38 a Pipe 2D. EUROPE GOODS. Buyers complain it is a Poor Thin Wine and some turnd Eager.

10. Shall Sell 1000 Candy Lead, send account of Wastage in Melting 349 Slabs Bad Lead Melted, Some Worse than others.

11. Captain Taylor paid for a Deficiency in the Copper Per Sumatra but refer it to The Company, thinks his Case hard.

12. Confused and Unsettled State of the Countrey a great Damp to Trade but more Broad Cloth is gone off than other sorts of Goods, hope to be Clear of it before next Supply arrives.

13. Woollen Goods Per Tygris sent on the Augusta to Gombroon.

14. By Wrong Measures at Fort St. David disabled from giving these Ships 3D. INVESTMENTS. more than Tonnage.

15. Unable to tell of Success next Year, Cotton is very Dear A Terrible Famine is apprehended, The Government Unsettled On the other hand the French are in great want of Money. Reject a great deal of Bad Stuff. Major Part of the Cloth Sorts to the lower Numbers and so the whole Dearer.

16. The Vessel from Maddapollam putting back has streightned 'em for time to Cure the Cloth, desire The Companys Thoughts on Northern Cloth in general its bought with Madrass Pagodaes of 9½ to 10 Per Cent Batta.

French Settlement at Yanam is within 4 Miles of Injeram.

17. Chay Goods shall be transported from Metchlepatam to Madapollam.

18. Beating Godown Damagd by Fire and Paintings by Hurry.

19. Pieces Deficient Per Colchester must be Stole by the Boat Fellows who are given to Pilfer, will look better after 'em.

20. Have receivd in part of Ballance from Tomby Chittee Pagods. 5000 Molinga Kistna Pago. 2526. 22. 79 and Ponapa Chitty 2397. 1. 71.

21. The Way they are in, doubt not of their discharging the Whole in a few Years.

4TH. COUNTRY GOVT.

22. The Murtherd Nabobs Troops made Mortisa Ally Cawn who killed him to Fly from Arcott 11th. Novemr. in disguise and Proclaimed the Son.

23. The Tahirs and Meer Assad Competitors for the Regency.

24. But the Mother Declared 23th. December for the Tahirs and the Young Nabob was immediately Installed Procession described.

25. The Nabob, his Mother and all the Great Men left Madrass 6th. Instant and set out for Wandewash.

26. Carried with a decent Respect to both Partys, not siding with either.

27. Late Nabobs Lady desired her house to be kept for her believe to keep Effects. His Mother stays with two Daughters and Son in Law, though offered to Pay Rent shall not suffer it; being lookt upon as a Neutral Power, the Tahirs Women and children are in Town also, with Sahibs Family who is with Nizam Al Mulk.

28. Pegue is still in great Confusion, they are Tired of the New King, little Trade there for Two Years.

5TH. BUILDING & REVENUES.

29. Factory House at Metchlepatam being Decayed, to be Pulld down, Materials are to Repair Godowns.

30. Only 747 Feet wanting to Compleat the Black Town Wall, cost 4000 Pagodaes to finish the Ditch on West side of it, may cost 3500 more which with 23727. 8. 1 already Expended comes to 31200, the Work is Substantial and entirely secures the Black Town, Revenues will pay for it.

31. Major Knipe arrived the 11th. Instant is Surveying Fortifications.

32. Are Thankful the Garrison is to be kept up to 600 Europeans have only 250 and 160 at St. David.

33. Two Years ago resolved to Clear 200 Yards from the Walls of all Houses and Gardens on a Petition from the Owners Advanced 11000 Pagodoes towards Paying the Sufferers, its become a difficult work to go through, 9000 more will be required, the Bricks used in New Wall and Ditch valued at 6000.

34. Report enterd 10th. January of Expences and Revenues Coinage of Gold 4000. which seldom come to 400 Pagodoes.

The French miscarried in a New Coin.

In November discovered some Practices of Counterfeiting, the Nabob sent Orders to Cut off the Persons hands and Ears found so doing, He Permitted Madras to Coin by a different Mark. As yet Madras Coin prevails all over the Countrey.

35. Relett Arrack Farm at the Old Rate.

36. Excused Kisnajee Puntaloo from paying Quit Rent and Scavengers Duty.

37. Old Guns shall only be Shipt Freight Free.

6TH COVENANT SERVANTS.

38. In Consultation 18th. October is a Summary of Proceedings as to Mr. Burton to that time, he intending to obstruct an Enquiry Mr. Monson was sent Commissary to Fort St. David, after several Papers had past which on Mr. Burtons side appeared very Evasive Suspended him the Service and Filed a Bill against him in the Mayors Court, thers nothing in his Answer of 54 Pages to Prove his Innocency and Evades showing how he Paid 2090 Pags. part of 5397 due from him on Ballance of an Account with the Merchants.

39. To make up his Cash Account he trickt Andiapas Gomasta into Signing a Receipt for Pagods: 3000 but never paid him the Money though fit to Indemnify Andiapa from any Loss and shall be Paid the Money in a few days.

40. Mr. Monson is continued Deputy Governour of Fort St. David Mr. John Savage took in of Council but to continue Secretary.

41. Mr. George Pigot is Clerk of the Peace &ca. and Sub Secretary.

42. Mr. Henry Fowney is Mayor and Mr. Johnson Sheriff.

43. Mr. Norris Under Store Keeper and Mr. Smith sent to Fort St. David Entertained a Braminy to Assist in the Secretarys Office who can Write though not Understand English, his Pay 5 Pags. a month.

44. Mr. John Legg being Ill Returns to England.

45. Mr. Joseph Goddard deceased Indebted Pagods. 7143. 6. 68 on Maddapollam Books but when the Turned out Cloth and his Effects are Sold his Debts will be Cleared or near it. Indemnified Mr. Morse for Paying 1000 Pags: on that account.

46. Mr. Stratton desired to quit Vizagapatam and Mr. Thos. Eyre will soon be sent Chief.

47. Ensign Karr dying, Serjeant Andrew Petty made Ensign.

48. Received at Bencoolen $ 300 on Account Francis Everest which may be paid. 7TH ACCOUNTS.

49. Have Delivered Major Knipe 352 ozs. 18 dwt. 20 gr. Silver for his £ 100.

50. Charges of Entertaining the Nabob and his Family Pags. 13321. 16. 45 Grants received are more than an Equivalent. Suppose it will not be long before the Moors leave them.

51. On the Books Pagods. 3005. 12. 20 Wrote off as Lost on Batta by mistake.

52. A Ship from France landed but 3 Chests of Silver went to Mergy, Two Ships in December took in 1000 Bales Callicoes some Redwood and Salt Petre and Proceeded to the Islands. OF THE FRENCH.

53. Believe their Credit is very near at a Stand.

54. In Consultation 24th. Instant is Major Knipe's Report of the Fortifications to the Westward of the Town from Charles Point to Queens Point wherein he fully Answers the Objection to Enlarging and making the White, Square with the Black Town on account of the River and supposed Badness of the Ground upon the Island. Fortyfying as The Company direct will cost near as much as in the manner proposed by them and the Major. SUPPLEMENT.

55. Can find no Water to the South so near as to the North a Mile off near to the Sea, thought by making a little Fortification there to Secure it against any Countrey Enemy and be Supplied by Sea. The Major has no liking to so distant a dependence for Water.

56. Nizam Ul Mulk with 100,000 Men is in Cuddapa, the Bordering Province, His design is to put the Raja of Misore in Possession of Tritchanapoly on paying a Crore of Rupees. Nizam must pass by Arcot hope he will settle the Regency.

57. Meer Assad got out of Velloor and with 8000 Men past by Arcot and is gone to Waldore a Tahir went after him may soon hear of a Battle, as the Vanquished Dispers and Plunder, Many Goods are brought into Town.

58. Believe the Northern Cloth will satisfy, have received from Vizagapatam 205 and expect 100 more from Injeram 342 and from Maddapallam 202. Chay Goods exceed any hitherto sent. Izzarees Super Fine Per Walpole a very good Callicoe. Mr. Prince will try to get more Fine Sallampores by advancing the Price. If the Northern Fine Cloth is approved it may be Encreased.

59. Some Chints with New Patterns now Sent and Handkerchiefs Super fine.

60. Bettlelees not liked and Rejected.

61. The 100 Candy Lead Sold for 13 Pags. a Candy and better.

62. Register of Diamonds Per Wilmington Pags. 35452. 23. 64.

63. Ballance of Cash this day is Pags. 85489.

Have Drawn the following Bills of Exchange Vizt. POSTSCRIPT.

at 7s. 4d.	£ 115	—	—	Payable to Captain Charles Boddam.
	57	10	—	Joshua and George Savage.
	3488	6	8	Frederick Haag.

	£ 120	—	—	John Goddard.
	60	10	6	Captain Benjamin Lowe.
	100	—	—	Peter Waldo.
	50	—	—	Frances Southby.
	1061	7	6	Jacob and Abram Fernandes Nunes.
7 4	50	13	—	Andrew Drummond.
	20	1	—	James Fordham.
	2000	—	—	William Monson.
	163	18	—	John Starke.
	32	12	8	Charles Lockyer.
	10	—	—	George and Gideon Crawford.

Have Granted the Certificates undermentioned Viz^{t}.

Pag^{s}.	10000	—	—	Account the Estate of George Drake deceased.
	2500	—	—	Captain John Todd.
	42	24	24	Account Cap^{t}. James Sanderson decd:
	83	31	32	Account Cap^{t}. Benjamin Webster.
	650	—	—	Account Cap^{t}. Matthew Bookey.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDW^{D}. HARRIS.
W^{M}. JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.

ABSTRACT OF GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED FEBRUARY 2, 1743, RECEIVED PER WALPOLE 5TH. AUG^{T}. 1743.

[*Coast and Bay Abstracts*, *Vol.* 4, *pp.* 409–410, (*India Office Transcript*).]

1. Ship Wilmington would Sail from Fort S^{t}. David 31 Janry Kept the Walpole a few days to compleat her Tonnage in Bales.

2. Nine of the Military who had near served their time and of very little Use in the Garrison Discharged in order to return on the Walpole. Unless Commanders make a New Agreement with Lascars few will Enter.

3. Super Fine Ginghams not Equal to Sample, 8 Pags. a Piece askd for them therefore rejected them.

4. Send some Chints of Colourd Grounds—1 Bale Performed at Sadrass may get some thence Yearly.

5. Painters complain of Baftaes which are often Spoiled send a few ordinary Moorees for tryal they take the Colours Well, if liked may be supplied with a quantity.

6. Walpoles Madrass Invoice Pagodoes 58093. 31. 44 to S^{t}. Helena Pags. 328. 11. 36—Captain Lowes Manifest Rups. 13126 and Pagodas. 210.

7. Register of Diamonds Pagods. 80621. 6. 3 some came in so late that the account of Corrals produce cannot be sent.

8. Cash remaining this day Pagodoes 105253. 3. 45.

POSTSCRIPT. Have Drawn the following Bills of Exchange Viz^{t}.

at 7^{s}. 8^{d}.	£ 91	17	4	Payable to Anthony Lopez Suasso &c^{a}.
	311	13	10	John, Anto: and Henry Loubier and James Tessier.
	270	17	2	Natal Levy Sonsino.
	501	18	10	Judah Supino and Son.
	501	18	10	
	907	4	—	
	304	17	2	
	100	—	—	Sidney Foxall.
	200	—	—	Richard Aspinwall.
at 7 4	220	—	—	Ralph Whistler.
	28	19	4	Charles Peers.

Have Granted Two Certificates Viz^{t}.

Pagodoes	3000	—	—	Rec^{d}. of Cap^{t}. Benjamin Lowe.
	38	22	—	Account of Cap^{t}. Matthew Bookey.

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ABSTRACT OF GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED SEPTEMBER 19, 1743. RECEIVED PER MONTFORT 11TH. SEPTEM^{R}. 1744.

[*Coast and Bay Abstracts, vol.* 4, *pp.* 434–438 (*India Office Transcript.*)]

1. Wrote last the 2^{d}. February 1742 Per Walpole.

2. Have Received several Letters from The Company.

3. Shall now give account of Occurrences.

4. Ship Duke Arrived ... 13 June, Saild 14 July for Vizagapatam and Bengal. 1st of Shipping.
   Princess Amelia ... 20 Do. 17 Do. for Bengal.
   Heathcote ... ... 22 August 7 Septr. } for Bengal.
   Exeter ... ... 29 Do. 14 Do. }

5. Montfort fell in with Vizagapatam 29th. June and proceeded thence to Bengal.

6. Unlucky any of the Ships passt by Madrass because the Bay desired all the Bullion to be Coind.

7. @ 9. Advises last Years Ships Sailing from several parts of India.

10. Harrington Sail'd from Tellicherry the beginning of May for China.

11. Salisbury Arrived at Madras 25th. May from Mallabar Coast being Dispatchd too late to Proceed for Europe. Tellicherry sent on her 300,000 Rupees designed for Bengal and 20000 for Anjengo which the Captain brought Round he not touching there.

Designed the 3 Laack on the Princess Elizabeth and Prince Wales that Saild 14th. June but upon Second Thoughts lookt upon it as too Early in the Season, did not judge ill for the Elizabeth Lost all her Masts and the Prince of Wales was Cast Away off Jagaranau Pagoda and nothing savd but The Companys Packet Per Duke.

12. Expect the Brilliant from Bombay designed for West Coast.

13. Shall send her thither on Arrival, and Surprized the Sumatra is not returned thence as she Sailed 11th. October.

14. The Companys own Ship Princess Augusta arrived from Bengal 17th. March with Salt Petre, touching the Ground twice in the River, sent her back to be Surveyed and Repaired.

15. Sloops Porto Bello and Bombay came also thence with Salt Petre and returned thither in April with Money to be put on Shore at Ingeram.

16. The Captain of the Salisbury Petitioned for a Supply of Money, though not Consigned to them Advanced him 996 Pagodas as Per Receipt enclosed, Desire Directions how to Act in future.

17. The 31st. January Disposed of 100,000 Rupees at 320 for 100 Pagodas, a good Price then, but in Febry. Struck for 50,000 at 305 and 200,000 at 300, the Money laid out in Gold Mohurs which Produce in Bengal Arcot Rupees 361. 5 ana. for 100 Pagod:, if Sold at Rup. 3$\frac{3}{4}$ and 354$\frac{3}{4}$ if Sold at 3$\frac{1}{2}$. the Gold Mohurs Cost at Madras Pagodoes 3. 29 fana. By Advices from Bengal in June the Shroffs offerd no more than 13 Rupees each, at which rate they produce Arcott Rs. 341. 9 ans. for 100 Pagodas. 2dly Goods from Europe.

Bengal writing the Mohurs were Worse than Usual, refer to Answer dated the 6th. Instant.

18. The Shroffs were obliged to Sell the Rupees again at 346 to 350 having Lost by the Bargain above 11000 Pagodoes, Shall therefore not make any Demand upon them for being Behind hand in Payments unless The Company order it.

19. Remitted to Bengal Per Galatea and Two Sloops 10000 Gold Mohurs 138634 Arcott and 28000 Madras Rupees in the Fair Weather Season before the S.W. Monsoon Set in.

And when the Fury thereof was Over by the Companys several Ships Sent 896,000 Arcott, 248,000 Madras, 320000 Bombay Rupees and 386 Gold Mohurs.

20. Rupees are now at 338 to 340 tho considerably Debased in the Countrey Mints. Sold 20 Chests Silver at 14¼$ for 10 Pagodas and 6 Chests at 14⅜$ which is better than if Coind in Madras Mint though the Merchants get a Profit by Coining in the Countrey Mints, for those Rupees though Worse will Sell as Well in Town and perhaps Pass as well in the Bay as Madras Rupees.

Reasons Enterd 20th. June for not being too Buisy in Coining Arcot Rupees.

21. Had the Good Luck to Clear the Warehouses of all their Woollen Goods, but the Buyers were deceived, for the Camp took off very little, the rest was most of it sent to the Moratta Countrey.

22. The Merchants are Thankful for the Broad Cloth till their Debts are Cleard, When it shall be Sold at Outcry in the mean time its always paid for before the delivery.

3d. Invest-ments.

23. The French to do all the Prejudice they could, Early in the Year gave out a List of Goods to be provided by their Merchants to the amount of 300,000 Pagodoes advancing no more than 5000 Pagodoes, Not Hurt much thereby but Dearness of Cotton, Famine and Troubles in the Countrey were great Impediments. Nizam al Mulucks Army and Attendants 300000 People made Provisions Scarce and Dear, Cloths Demanded for the Camp Computed at 10000 Pagodoes a month.

24. Received 140 Bales of Bengal Goods Per Sloops So Reckoned on 1000 Bales being ready for a September Ship but The Company directing no more Salt Petre than Kintlage, gave over all hopes of sending one, and could Promise the Bay only 2000 Bales against January.

4th. Countrey Goverenments.

25. Nizam al Muluck arrived at Arcot soon after the Ship Walpole Saild with his son Nazir Jung and several Omras Knew Presents suitable to their Rank were Expected Imaum Sahib came with him, on whom fixed to direct their Conduct, he Advised 'em to be made to Father and Son and Coja Abdulla Caun, nominated Subah of the Province. Put up to the Value of 13000 Pagodoes. List enterd 7th. March. Messrs. Eyre Harrison and Holland attended by the Companys Braminy and Mullah, appointed to go along with it. Refer to Consultation 1 March as to Coja Petrus Letter.

They were obliged to go to Tritchanapoly, were Received with great Marks of Honour and Respect. Refer to their Diary in the Packet, it was two months before they returned.

The Charge was Pagodoes 5223. 35. 44.

26. Nizam received several Complaints against the Dutch, it Cost them 40000 Rupees.

27. Coja Petrus Letter shews what they aimed at obtaining from the Court, refer to Consultation 20th June also. A Grant of the Villages is all they are yet certain of, tho believe Sahib is in Earnest to obtain a Dustick freeing all the Companys Goods from the Countrey Juncan.

28. Hussain and Meer Assad at Waldore; on a Summons followed the Army, Scied Cawn the late Nabobs Son went to Arcot also a Crore and 3 Laack Rupees expected by Nizam for his Investiture.

29. The Droga hinted Ten Laack was wanted desiring them to Advance it, offering Security. A Compliance is contrary to the Maxims in which they have been Bred so it did not require a Debate [as] Per Consultation 19th. May.

30. After lying before Tritchanapoly Five Months Nizam took Possession, his Numerous Army sets very heavy on those parts. Till the Countrey is settled no body has Spirit enough to engage in Business of Consequence.

31. Badjee Vows Son called Ballora was returned from Bengal to Ponah in July last but Ragojee is still on the Confines of Bengal.

32. Received from Mr. Burton the 3000 Pags. he took from Andiapa with Interest, and he not caring to have the affair of the Sum Sued for in the Mayors Court any further Publickly Discust he Paid the 24th. February the Sum with Two other smal ones. 5th Buildings Revenues 6th Covenant Servts.

33. Major Knipe Died the 5th. May on which gave the Vacant Company to Lieutt. De Gingins.

34. Mr. Stratton returned from Vizagapatam 4 April.

Mr. Prince was appointed Chief there the 30 June, and Mr. Saunders Resident at Ingeram.

35. Ensign Holland Died at Calcutta 20 Febry. and Mr. Henry Campion the 2d. March.

36. The Revd. Mr. James Feilde arriving 22th. Augt. Mr. Wynch gone to Bengal.

37. Mr. Nicholas Morse took his Place in Council as ordered Mr. Hinde shall be sent to Fort St. David.

38. Bills of Exchange and Certificates are in a Postscript. 7th. of Accounts.

39. Three Ships Arrived from France at Pondicherry, they give out with large Sums, an Article they are still much in want of and Borrow where they can. Imaum Sahib gives them more Credit than any body else. It is said they are a good deal in debt in Bengal. Fixing their Rupees at 320 Pags. being 7 or 8 Per Cent more than any body will give for them makes their Goods come out the Dearer. 8 West Coast. 9 Charter. 10 French.

They Dispatch One Ship home this Month.

40. One of their Countrey Ships taken by Kempsaunt retaken by Portuguese.

41. Lusitania Mr. Tempest Milner Supra Cargo Arrived in June under a Portuguese Commission at Pondicherry, did some Business there and then came to St. Thomé, Landed about 30 Bales of Broad Cloth and some Coral under the Bishops Care.

They agreed for Ginghams and Moorees to be ready for the Ship on return from Bengal in January and they will have them for they give Top Prices Per Consultation 27 June.

Forbid all Trade with her.

42. Montagu arrived at Mocha 1st. June but Coffee at $ 109 a Bahar. Supplement.

43. Put to Sale at Outcry 14th. Instant Madeira Wine Per Exeter Sold 80 Pipes at 53 Pags. a Pipe, keep the rest to Supply Subordinates. Sold 5 Cases Embost Cloth and 5 Cases Culjeed Flannels.

White Flannels much liked and Sold accordingly, as did also Scarlet Sayes but Shalloons would not go off at Invoice Price. Shal send an Indent in January for Flannel and Sayes.

44. The Brilliant arrived 17th. Instant from Bombay brought 50000 Rupees and 57 Bales Cotton, she cost 18132 Rups.

45. Captn. Barrows Manifest 2666 Pagodoes Register of Diamonds and Precious Stones Pags. 59777. 14 fans. 19 ca. Ballance of Cash this day Current Pags. 82590. 24. 67 and Madras Pags. 4402.

Have Drawn Bills of Exchange at 7s. 4d. Vizt.

£	52	18	6	Payable to Mary Bradford and John Buffar.
	100	—	—	Thomas Nicholaes.

And Granted Certificates Vizt.

Pagods.	784	25	55	Account the Estate of Henry Campion.
	3000	—	—	Account the Estate of James Hubbard deceased.

3211	33	20	Account the Estate of Edward Mitchell decd.
179	9	9	Account Captain John Tedd.

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ABSTRACT OF GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED JANUARY 16, 1744, RECEIVED PER MONTFORT 11TH. SEPTEMBER 1744.

[*Coast and Bay Abstracts Vol.* 4, *pp.* 439–443, (*India Office Transcript*).]

1. Shall now Add what Omitted Per Salisbury and material Occurrences.

1ST. OF SHIPPING. 2. The Companys own Ship Princes Augusta did not Arrive from the Bay before the 1st. October. Saild thither again 14th. and had a quick Passage, on return shall be sent to West Coast.

3. The Sumatra was Dispatchd late from Bencoolen and fell in with Vizagapatam, Ordered her up with Bales from thence.

4. Dispatcht the Brilliant to Bencoolen 15th. October.

5. Success Galley bound for Bombay to Bengal missing her Passage put in also to Vizagapatam 22th. October with 10 Chests Treasure which were Orderd on Shore.

6. Several Countrey Ships Lost their Passage and put in there.

7. Duke came in from Bengal 21th. December and Montfort the 30th. shall Dispatch them together, Expect the Heathcote also.

8. Could not Discover the Quicksilver or Broad Cloth in the Duke or Heathcote.

9. Stores Short delivered from the Duke and Princess Emilia Enterd 11th. July Captains refused to Pay for 'em, so are Endorsed on the Bills of Loading.

10. Lead Cwt. 37. 1 Short Per Heathcote advised the Bay.

11. Hope to get Sloop Carolina into the Sea in February.

2D. GOODS FROM EUROPE. 12. Sent on the Princess Augusta only the Cotton Per Brilliant, it being late did not Risque the 50000 Rupees which shall send Per Mercury. The Cash too low for further Remittances thither till Ships arrive.

13. Vackeel wrote Imaum Sahib applied to Durbar for a prohibition of their Coining Arcot Rupees, dont know whether its true. Since removed the Stamps from the Pettah and Coind in Town no body has said What dost thou?

Per Consultation 7th. November by Coinage 114 Chests Silver into Arcott Rupees instead of Madras Gained Current Rupees 46144. 4. 6 more Beneficial for Silver to be sent round from Bombay in Bullion that Bombay Rupees.

14. Bengal Complaining the Rupees fall short in Weight Six anaes in 100 Sicca Weight: 1000 Weighed 30 lb. 6 oz. though the Country Mints are Lighter and full 2 Per Cent Worse in Touch, they shal in future direct 1000 Rupees to Weigh 30 lb. 7 oz. 10 dwt.

15. Six Pipes of the Shaftesburys Wine turned Sowr Sold for 115 Pags. 4 fa. Thirty Pipes sent to Bengal in April not much better Selling for 3500 Current Rupees.

The Wine Per Exeter is much better and Sold accordingly.

16. Received a Bale Cambletts from Bencoolen sent thither by the Edgbaston Per Consultation 30th. November.

17. Send Additional Indent for Woollen Goods suited to Consumption.

18. The Prices of those, Lead and Iron are taken notice of in General Advices, Copper and Quick Silver being China produce are in the Price Currents, Cutlary,

Glass, Mercers and Millinary brought by Captains Yeild some times 20, or 30 Per Cent Gain or Loss.

19. Have Old Anchors 14 to 29 Cwt. no body will give any thing for them, desire directions whether they must be sent home.

20. Have Sufficient to Compleat the Heathcotes Tonnage. 3D. INVESTMENTS.

21. Fine St. David Cloth better worth the Price than the Ordinary.

22. The Cloth from Madrass is provided in the Countrys Near is better and cheaper though far Short in Quantity. Cotton Scarce and People Harrassd.

23. The 30th. November received Pagodoes 14129. 20. 36 from the Merchants in part of Old Debts Proceeding from Indulgence of Broad Cloth.

When their Debt is Cleared shall be to look out for a New Sett to whom can make the Proper Advances. Since 1736 had reason to believe the Money Advanc'd these shrunk in their hands so put very little Confidence in them. Submit it to The Company whether to offer some reasonable Encouragment to Engage Men of Substance in Business. Overtures made by some Such on Condition they had the Broad Cloth which could not Promise, but leave it to The Companys Determination. Hope when The Countrey is Settled large quantitys of Cloth may be Procured by Large Advances which the Present Merchants are not to be trusted with Some greater Profit and Advance on the present Prices of the Callicoes must induce the Richer sort to Contract. Whether Markets in Europe will afford an Advance cant say but the Pitiful Brokerage allowed at Present will not Induce Rich Merchants to Risque their Fortunes.

24. Nizam left Tritchanapoly in October and is Encamped near Biddanore a Countrey a good way to the West of Arcott. The Son of Abdulla sent to Superintend Affairs at Arcott he came down to St. Thome in December whereupon sent Two Gentlemen with Complements hoping to have no more to do with him, but he sent a Seerpaw and Horse so were obliged to Present him Pagodoes 733. 18. 4TH COUNTRY GOVERNMENTS.

25. Meer Assad the late Nabobs Minister staid a few dayes in Madrass. Tax Gatherers set very heavy upon the Countrey. RECD. PER MONTFORT 11TH SEPTEMR. 1744.

Have very little Trade want of Money and Credit becomes general among the Merchants in Town.

26. A Famine was apprehended in September, Imports by Sea kept them Easy. Rains since then fell plentifully thereby hope for large Crops.

27. Exports of Private Trade not large the only Stocks of Consequence one to China and another to Mocha.

28. Sent to Pegu a Serjeant, Corporal and 21 Topasses, by Advices from Bengal the Burmars again in Possession of Syrian whereby Trade will be Open.

29. In Consultation 14 March Letters from Celoan concerning the Europeans Cast away on the Josia and a Codjan from two of them 150 Pagodoes Promised for their Release.

Several Soldiers Deserted to Pulliacat, the Dutch refused to Deliver them, its necessary this Affair should be setled in Europe.

30. Nabob of Uppara Extorted 1700 Pagodoes from Mr. Pitt a distinct account wrote for.

31. In February sent a Present of 618 Pagodoes to Wandewash.

32. Fire Arms forbid to be Sold on Mallabar Coast.

33. Limited 22th. August Indulgence to Strangers and Forreigners of Purchasing Houses in the White Town.

34. Abated 19th. May Farmers of Beetle and Tobacco Two Months Rent and 24th. June Permitted Renters of Garden to Throw up their Cowle Let 27th. October at 250 Pagodoes. 5TH BUILDINGS AND REVENUES.

35. Butteca Rent and Shroff Duty Let 9th. May at the Old Rent.

36. Coja Gregorio Permitted to bring in some Bugles from St. Thomé.

37. Granted an Old House to Mrs. Carvalho for hers and Daughters Life.

38. Permitted some Repairs at S^{t}. Davids and Cuddalore and some more Expence necessary on Ditch and Fosse Bray to make it Compleat, 1500 Pagodoes more requisit, Shall Wait for Orders.

39. Instead of 9000 have paid the Inhabitants only Pagods. 5788. 30 fa. as a Compensation for their Houses and Gardens.

40. The Years Accounts are not made up, As to Expences and Revenues refer to Consultations.

41. As the Business of the Mint is become of Consequence hope the Indent for it will be fully and regularly complied with.

42. One of the Granaries on the Island fell down and the other much Decayed, shall rebuild them in the Black Town, Charges computed at 2000 Pagodoes.

43. Black Town Wall not quite Finished will Cost in all 4900 Pags:

44. Enclose Abstract of Expence Entertaining the late Nabobs Family this last Year amount Pags: 4921. 19. 27.

6TH COVENANT SERVTS.

45. Hide Parker has an Ensigns Commission at Fort S^{t}. David.

46. Entertained William Lyon and John Sheafe as Mates in the Hospital, Encreased their Pay from 10 to 15 Pagodoes a Month.

M^{r}. Mackneight is Dead.

47. A Man Entertained as Surgeons Mate in March goes home.

48. Have receivd from M^{r}. Goddard and M^{r}. Greenhaugh their Sallary and other Allowances paid them while Absent.

49. Refers to Letters to and from S^{t}. David as to M^{r}. Graham believe his Debt will be Cleard as he represents.

50. The 29 December M^{r}. Randall Fowke desired on account of his Age they would Dispence with his Attendance at the Board, or any of the Offices after the Dispatch of these Ships, which could not refuse him, believe The Company will not Disapprove their Continuing him his Sallary and Allowances as 4th. of Council.

M^{r}. Monson is Export and Import Warehouse keeper.
M^{r}. Eyre Accountant and Sea Customer.
M^{r}. Harris Paymaster.
M^{r}. Johnson Land Customer and Storekeeper.
M^{r}. Savage Rental General and Scavenger.

51. M^{r}. Hinde is Commission'd Deputy Governour of Fort S^{t}. David.

52. The Lists of Servants Shew how they are Stationed, by the hands many of them write can be of little Use therefore are still obliged to have Monthly Writers. Good Accountants are much Wanted, desire some Gratuity may be given to Induce the Younger Servants to Qualify themselves.

53. Allowed M^{rs}. Gifford 15 Pago: a Month.

54. The President M^{r}. Benyon takes Passage on the Duke M^{r}. Morse proposes M^{r}. Benyon and M^{r}. Miln as Securitys. The Council will write to Friends for Security.

55. M^{r}. Robert Allen takes Passage also on the Duke.

56. S^{t}. Davids drawn up a full Replication to Burtons Answer.

57. M^{r}. Stratton is Permitted to go to Bengal.

58. M^{r}. Cassamajors Covenants in the Dukes Packet and M^{r}. Starke's.

59. Desire blank Covenants for Free Merchants and Servants of Age.

7TH ACCOUNTS.

60. Refer to Post Script for Bills of Exchange and Certificates.

8 WEST COAST.

61. Purpose to Send the Augusta to Bencoolen.

9 CHARTRES,

62. Refer to Letters from Mayors Court 9th. Instant.

10TH OF FRENCH.

63. The Phoenix from Pondicherry Saild in October for Europe with 1000 Bags Pepper and 1000 Bales Piece Goods.

64. A Fourth Ship the Duke of Chartres, Arrived 17 September. Landed 64 Chests Treasure is now loading for Europe.

SUPPLEMENT.

65. By the Montfort 4 Chests Garnetts Registerd.
Bugles Pay but a small Freight in Proportion to Coral.

66. Dukes Madrass Invoice Pagodoes	...	87410.	34.	70
Montforts	...	71611.	11.	58
67. Register of Diamonds Per Duke	...	85620.	19.	48
68. Montfort	...	42666.	10.	66
Captain Hindman added to Manifest	...	175.	—.	—
Captain Hanslapp 900 Rupees and	...	175.	—.	—

POSTSCRIPT.

69. Cash this day Current Pago: 77674. 20. 3 and 555 Madras Pagos:
Have Drawn Bills of Exchange Viz^{t}.

at 7s. 8d. £	25	—	—	Payable to Ann Reynolds.
	104	—	—	Christopher Mole.
	100	—	—	John Turner.
	100	—	—	Thomas Hall Esqre.
	200	—	—	Peter Hinde Esqr.
	43	—	2	John Walsh.
7. 4.	35	8	—	Henry Newcombe.
	10	—	—	George and Gideon Crawford.
	38	17	4	John Walsh.
7. 8.	275	8	—	Moses Espinoza for Coral.

Have Granted Certificates Viz^{t}.

Pagods:	28	2	22	Account Captain James Sanders decd: Estate.
	436	28	6	Account the Estate of James Hubbard Esqre.
	2191	8	33	Ditto.
	49	3	—	Captain Richard Mickelfield *junr.*
	157	3	—	Account the Estate Thomas Gould deceased.

RICHARD BENYON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
JOHN HINDE.
RANDALL FOWKE.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WM. JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.

ABSTRACT OF GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED FEBRUARY 10, 1744.
RECEIVED. PER HEATHCOTE 29TH. AUGUST 1744.

[*Cost and Bay Abstracts, vol.* 4, *pp.* 444–5, (*India Office Transcript*).]

1. Wrote the 16th. Ultimo Per Duke and Montfort.

1ST OF SHIPPING

2. Shall now add Occurrences since they Saild the 17th.

3. The Heathcote though Dispatcht from Ingellee the 2d. did not Arrive till the 26th. January, Captain Cape was Protested against for not bringing Salt Petre in part of Tonnage being 124 Tons which have Compleated.

4. Princess Augusta arrived from Bengal the next day Shall be Dispatchd for Bencoolen by the 12th.

5. Sumatra came in then also with Bales from the Northward 345 Dispatch her this day with 30000 Madrass Pagadoes for Vizagapatam and Rupees 11679. 8. — Produce of Two Chests Dutch Dollars for Bengal.

6. Success Galley was Arrived from Vizagapatam in Bengal River.

7. Two China Ships and Centurion at Canton.

8. A Danish Captain relates that the Princess Louisa was lost at Isle May.

2D. EUROPEAN GOODS.

9. Sent Per Mercury to Bengal 20 January 50000 Rupees received from Bombay Per Brilliant refer to Letters by her as to Short Weight of Rupees.

10. Lead deficient Per Heathcote Cwt. 18. 2. 20 referred Home.

11. Sold at Outcry 26 January 700 Candy Lead at Pago. 13. 14 fa. 70 Per Candy.

12. Agreed to purchase 60000 Madrass Pagodoes for Northern Settlements and Sold 10 Chests Silver at $13\frac{3}{4}$ for 10 Pagodoes.

13. Rice received from Bengal is so very Indifferent it must be sold forthwith at Outcry to prevent its Spoiling on hand.

3D INVESTMENTS.

14. Received from S^{t}. David 320 Bales Callicoes.

15. Having Supplied the Northern Settlements so Early it will Enable them to go on Vigorously with their Investments before the French have any Money to Interfere with them.

4TH COUNTREY GOVERNMENTS.

16. Have about 500 Bales on hand hope to send a Ship in Sept^{r}.

17. Nizam set out about 20 days ago for Golcondah but on Arriving at the Banks of the Kistna was Informed a large body of Morattas was on the March to Intercept him, He Returned 3 days Journey, the Morattas halted 15 Miles from him. A Battle it was at first thought would Ensue, but by later Advices it is more likely to End in a Treaty.

18. This Newes Alarms the Countrey, Nizam sent Orders to the Lieutenant of the Province to Repair to the Fort of Chingee and Collect Forces to oppose the Morattas on taking the Rout of Trichanapoly.

Inhabitants of Arcott and Inland Towns retire to Different Parts, but their Treasure is in Madrass.

5TH BUILDINGS AND REVENUES.

19. A House Permitted to be Rebuilt at Uppara; Expence 300 Rupees and some further Buildings at Ingeram 500 Pagodoes the Charge.

6TH COVENANT SERVANTS.

20. M^{r}. Morse took the Chair on M^{r}. Benyons Departure.

The Vacancy at the Board filled with M^{r}. Samuel Harrison the next on the List. Each Member Sworn.

21. M^{r}. Hinde arrived at Fort S^{t}. David 23th. January.

M^{r}. Alexander Wynch taken into Council there.

22. M^{r}. Harrison is Storekeeper.

23. M^{r}. Edward Fowke Upper Searcher.

24. A Disabled Soldier sent to England on the Heathcote.

25. Lieutt. Gingins requests some Money due to Hollands Estate.

26. M^{r}. Samuel Parkes permitted to remain there.

27. M^{r}. Arthur Rider returns to England Per Heathcote.

28. Also the Widow of Lieutt. Amyand.

29. A Statement of M^{r}. Fowkes Allowances Enterd 19 Janry.

30. M^{r}. Stratton returned to his Station 1st. Instant.

7TH ACCOUNTS

31. Bills and Certificates in the Supplement.

8TH WEST COAST.

32. Will Supply them with the Rice and Salt Indented for.

33. Shall Order Ships to be Dispatchd thence by 15th. July.

34. A Syrang and 50 Lascars Engaged by Captain Goring to go thither, they will be of greater Service in Dispatch of Ships.

35. Captain Taylor Complained of as the Cause of the Grantham's Late Dispatch, he Answers that he only put in at Baroos for Water 4 Days if so he is not liable to Censure.

9TH CHARTER.

36. Allowed the Mayors Court Expences Resuming the Dutys appropriated for their Maintenance, hope it will be approvd.

37. Think to Let the Revenues to Farm hope to get 400 Pags. Per Annum.

10TH FRENCH.

38. Duke of Chartres has 960 Bales Callicoes and 400 Candy Pepper.

39. Lusitania is not returned from Bengal.

40. Although Father Severini was Confirmed by the President and Council Superiour of the Church of S^{t}. Andrew yet Padre Renatus a French Man was appointed by the Order send a Separate Address on this Affair.

41. Have Drawn Bills at 7s. 8d. for £ 50.—Payable to John Turner. SUPPLEMENT.
7. 4. 20.—Mary Milne.

42. Captain Capes Manifest of Private Trade 7950 Current Rupees.

43. Heathcotes Madras Invoice Pags. 72485. 9. 70. Register of Diamonds Pags. 30126. 30. 24. Ballance of Cash this day Current Pagodoes 17337. 31. 26 and Madras 30555.— of which shall send 30000 to Vizagapatam in a few days.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
W. MONSON.
THO: EYRE.
EDWD: HARRIS.
W^{M}. JOHNSON.
JNO. SAVAGE.
SAM: HARRISON.

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED SEPTEMBER 5, 1744.

[*Public despatches to England, Vol.* 14, *pages* 1—38.]

TO THE HONOURABLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HONOURABLE THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES.

HONOURABLE.

1 Our addresses of the last year were dated [. . .] & sent you as follows:

19th. September 1743 ℔ Salisbury.
26 September 1743v iâ Pondicherry.
1 January 1743/44 in two copies to be forwarded by the Chief & Council [at] Gombroon.
16th. January 1743/44 ℔ Duke & Montfort.
18 January 1743/44 viâ Pondicherry.
10 February 1743/44 ℔ Heathcote and
1st. March 1743/44 ℔ Lusitania.

2 Since then we have [received your] commands of the
8th. June ℔ Hardwicke.
14. October } ℔ Lapwing.
4. November }
23. November ℔ Prince William & [Prince of Wales]
16th. December ℔ Duke of Dorset.
23d. December ℔ Beaufort and [York]
11th. January ℔ Yorke.

3. [*Two lines lost*] usual heads.

FIRST CONCERNING SHIPPING.

4. The ships that have imported with us this year are as follows.

Ships Names	Commanded by	Arrived	Sailed
Prince William	Thomas Langworth ...	25 April...	12 May for Bengal.
Lapwing	Henry Watts ...	25 April...	19 May for Bengal.
Prince of Wales	John Pitty Junr. ...	28 April...	dispatching for Europe.
Winchester	Gabriel Steward ...	31 May ...	27 June for Bengal.
York	Henry Lascelles ...	3 June ...	16 June for China.
Durrington	Richard Crabb ...	26 June ...	9 July for Bengal.
[Beau]fort	Thomas Stevens ...	9 July ...	24 August for Vizagapm. & Bengal.
[Du]ke of Dorset	Thomas Frognal ...	6 August.	24 August for Bengal.

Consns. 1744 2d. & 28th. April 11th. June 3d. August Lettrs. Recd. 1744 No. 32, 58, 83 [Lettrs.] sent 1744

5. The Gentlemen in Bengal wrote us the beginning of the year that they had not come to any determination about the Treasure expected from Europe this year as to the coinage of it into Rupees till they could be at some certainty in regard to the state of the Country of which they should acquaint us overland which advises we did not receive till [the 11th.] June Your Honours will please to observe on the arrival [. . .] first ships we judged it most for your Interest [. . .] that we believed would be most acceptable to them [. . .] silver designed for that Presidency into Rupees [. . .] advices of the March of the Morattoes into that [. . .] sent there was the greatest reason to [. . .] the same circumstances as they were in [. . .] to the Muxidavad Mint and [. . .] their Bullion which might prove a great [. . .] in their Investment and a sum in ready [. . .] to the forwarding it; Our Minters with the assistance of some

people from the surcar mints who at that time were out of Employment finished the coinage of Four Lacks in fourteen days which we forwarded on the Prince William & in our consultation of the 5th. May your Honour will see our reasons for sending away that ship rather than the Lapwing which we kept seven days longer in order to carry a further sum of two hundred & forty thousand—; by private advices we learn the Prince William arrived safe there the 20th. May and that the Lapwing, after a passage of four days, wa[ited] in Balasore Road waiting for a Pilot.

Lettrs. from England dated 1743.

6. We mention'd to the President & Council of Fort William your Honours Intentions that the Lapwin[g] should proceed to the West coast and at the same time acqua[inted] them with what articles we judged would be most wanted at that settlement taken from the last List received from there.

14 Octor. para 7. Consns. 1744 14 May Lrs. sent 1744 No. 52. Lrs. Recd. 1744 No. 83.

7. Captain Watts soon after his arriv[al]. complained to us that he had two seamen on board his shi[p] named Archibald Douglas and David Shephard who [were] of very turbulent & mutinous dispositions on which they w[ere] ordered ashore as the Captain did not think the ship safe, [with] Such persons in her since their Example might have ill [Effects] this behaviour of theirs was confirmed by the officers & se[amen] of the ship's company, who appeared before Us wheref[ore we] thought it best to detain them ashore here till they cou[ld be] sent on board some of the larger ships— Douglas has e[ngaged] himself on board the Prince of Wales and we purposed to [have] sent Shephard on the York, but he made off in disguise o[n] board a ship for B[engal].

Consns. 1744 5. May.

Lrs. from England dated 1743.

8. [Pursu]ant to your Honours [orders we] called upon Capt. W [atts] [for his] account [*about one line lost*] in the Bay, but just at going off he sent it to our Secretary and we ordered it to be entered on our Consultations for your Honours perusal.

14 Octor. Consns. 1744 para 5 21st. May Watts's Instns. para 11. Lrs. sent 1744 No. 52.

9. The York met with a fine passage and twelve days after her arrival here we despatched her for China with twenty chests of silver, three hundred candies of Tinn; about fifty two candies of Redwood and the Lead she brought out as ℔ copy of her Invoice in the packet, The Pultney & Macao ships had bought up the Redwood so that we could not possibly fill her up with that as your Honours directed. The kind regard you have been pleased to shew for us in this branch of our Trade merits our grateful acknowledgments and we desire you to be assured we shall ever retain a due sense of your goodness to us.

[Lettrs.] from England dated 1743 Consns. 1741 [ ] Novr. para 6 [. . .] [ ] Janry. para 3 4, 5, 6, 8 Lrs. from Engd. dated 1743 Janry. para 8. Consns. 1744 3d. 11th. & 15th. June Lrs. sent 1744 No. 60, 61, 67, 68.

10. We have the great satisfaction to acquaint your Honours of the happy arrival of the Winchester the 31st. May; she touch'd at the Cape in her passage hither & left there the Salisbury homeward bound. Upon landing the Treasure from this ship we found there was one chest wanting N°. 218 containing two hundred ninety pounds, Eight Ounces, lb. 290. oz. 8. of French Crowns which we called upon the Captain for, who acquainted us that his Ship's Stock not being sufficient to defray the charges of repairing the ship & securing your Honours Effects on the Coast of Brazil & the Merchants there refusing to take any Bills of Exchange he was under a necessity of making use of that parcel of silver. He accordingly produced an account of disbursemen[ts of] Pernambuca on the cargo, amounting according to [the trans]late of the Exchange to five hundred [& Sixty] six [seven]shillings and eight pence sterling, [*about a line lost*] four hundred and eighty two Pounds seventeen shillings & Eleven pence £ 482 s. 17 d. 11 upon the ship as part of that charge he thereby making the value of that chest one thousand forty nine pounds five shillings & seven pence

Consns 1744 3, 1 th. 31st.

£ s. d.
1049 5 7 As we had no precedent to guide us in an Affair of this nature we did not chuse to take upon us to judge of the distinction made by Captain Steward of some part being disbursed on the cargo and some on the ship but to leave the whole to be determined by your Honours at home we have accordingly endorsed on the Bill of Lading the short delivery of the said chest, & the three chests of Aqua Fortis which the Captain says were thrown overboard on the ships striking & have taken Captain Steward's Bond for the weight of the silver in three copies, obliging himself & his owners to be accountable to you for the same; one of which Bonds goes in this packet.

Lrs. Recd 1744 No. 46, 66,
Do. No. 80,

11. The Hardwicke we are informed by [the] Letters from Bombay & Tellicherry was dispatch'd from [the] latter place for China the 5th. May. Her passage out was [extremely] tedious and she narrowly escaped being lost amongst the [Maldive] Islands from whence she got to Bombay the 31st. March. A ship called the Princess Luisa Capn. Peter Brunet, belong[ing.] to the Danish Company who left Europe the same time with the Hardwick met with a harder Fate among those [Islands] in February having only twenty two men saved of one [hundred] & twenty who came to Pondicherry last month in a Fr[ench ship] but the cargo & Treasure said to be fifty chests was lost [with] the ship. They were bound to the Malabar Coast in quest, so we imagine, of pepper & from thence to this coast: the Gentlemen at Tranquebar are fearfull lest it should be the only ship designed for that settlement this year.

Consns. 1744 21st., 28th., May.

12. The Mountague calling in [*a line lost*] her way to Bengal & having on board six hundred [candies] of Pepper from Tellicherry, we thought it might be of [advan]tage to us in the dispatch of your shipping from this [. . .] to land it here that thereby we might be enabled to [give the] Prince of Wales her full Tonage for Europe and have [a re]serve of Bales to compleat the cargo of the ship that [will] be sent us from Bombay to fill up, and as the circum[stances] of affairs in Bengal with respect to the Tonage to be sent home would, in all probability, have obliged them to h[ave] put it on board the ships at whole freight, it is the same [to] your Honours in that respect, but might have been of [good] service to us for the purpose we have mentioned and also saved the risque of Bengal River. On weighing it here there was a deficiency of twelve candies eight maunds & fifteen pounds which the Captain was in hopes of delivering in Bengal when he comes to unload his ship which we have referr'd to the Gentlemen there to demand of him.

Consns. 1744 21st. June Lrs. sent 1744 No. 82 12, 8, 15.

[. . .] England 1743

13. The Winchelsea stayed here a few days in her way from Bombay to Bengal, we took the opportunity of sending on her a further supply of one hundred & sixty thousand, 160000, Rupees, On the Winchester we sent two hundred fifty six thousand, 256000, Rupees, on the Mountague, 240000, Rupees and on the Durrington 184000 making in all with what sent on the Prince William & Lapwing Arcot Rupees Eight hundred Eighty eight thousand, 888,000, & Madrass Rupees Five hundred ninety two thousand 592000.

23d. Decr. para 3, 4, Consns. 1744 10th. July 13 August.

14. The Beaufort brought us one hundred & fifty pipes of wine from Madeira which we put up at [outcry] the price falling under Forty 40 Pagodas we [sold] no more than twelve Pipes and agreed that the warehousekeeper should deliver none out of the Godowns under forty five 45 Pagodas ℔ Pipe as we find it stands your Honours in Thirty six.

Consns. 1744 13 & 20th. August Lrs. sent, 1744 No. 105, 106, 107,

15. We put on board this ship the copper landed here from the Prince of Wales & part of what receiv'd by the York & dispatched her to Bengal, ordering her to call in at Vizagapatam to put ashore some money & stores for that settlement & Ingeram.

Consns. 1744 7 August.

16. The Duke of Dorset did not arrive with us till the 6th. August having been by the Captain's account near three months in this Bay and at length to Acheen where he had called for Wood & Water & to refresh his peop[le]. After the ship had delivered the few articles she had for this place she was sent on to the Bay.

Consns. 1744 30 July.

17. By the Judda Merchant that [arrived] here the 30th. July we received a Letter from the Supra[cargoe] of the Edgebaston at Mocha acquainting us that as they could not pass the silver they brought out of England [but] upon terms very disadvantageous to your Honours the[y] had been obliged to desire of Messrs. Baillie,

Templer, Coa[les] & Ladwick, to furnish them with one hundred & four thousand six hundred & forty 104640 Ounces of old [Mexico] silver for which they had delivered them in return the lik[e] Quantity of new Mexico giving them at the same time a[n] obligation that the difference in the fineness between the two species of money in the Mint of this place should be made good by us which being One penny weight worse was accordingl[y] [delivered] of the Warehouse being Ounces Four hundred Seventy one Seven penny weight 471. 7. The Treasure being delivered in Mocha Road from the Edgebaston to the Judda Merchant by Invoice, we appointed two of our Board to be present at the opening it at the desire of Captain Baillie, & the other Gentlemen, when there appear'd a deficiency of seventy three Ounces two Penny weight & twelve Grains 73. 2. 12 which they petitioned us for urging that they had delivered their silver purely for your service & hoping that they should be no sufferers on that account as we judged their request to be no more than reasonable we complied with it. The Supracargoes of the Edgebaston have not favoured us with any account of their success but we are told by other hands that coffee was plenty and that they were likely to procure a full Loading for the ship on moderate Terms, thô from what they wrote the President & council of Bombay by the Augusta they [then] seem'd to doubt of it.

18. On the arrival of the early ships we transmitted to Bombay copies of the 8 & 9 Parag[hs]. of your commands dated the 23[d]. November, relating to the sending a ship round to us to fill up, to which they replied that as they did not expect the Edgebaston before the beginning of September and as it would take up sometime to tranship the coffee from her to another ship, that ship could not possibly arrive with us in time that therefore they should compleat her Tonage there & send her directly to Europe.

Cons[ns]. 1744 12[th]. April
L[rs]. sent 1744 No. 44.
L[rs]. Recd. 1744 No. 76,

19. Your Honours will find our reasons for [Making] choice of the Prince of Wales for this dis[patch] as she Arrived so early as the 28[th]. April her demorage would commence so much sooner than any of the other ships. We had entertained great hopes from the success in our Investment to have sent you a second ship by the latter end of this month or the beginning of next, but the continual rains we have had for two months past kept our Washers so backward in the curing the cloth that we have here and as great part of the cloth we expect from the Northward will come up brown & must be whitened here also, the season at this time of year being likewise noways favourable for that business have entirely prevented our putting that design in execution.

Cons[ns]. 1744 11[th]. 21[st]. & 2 [6th.] [June] [..] 2[d]. & 30 [July]
Cons[ns]. 1744 13[th]. August.

20. We doubt not Your Honours will be pleased to take our Intentions for your service in good past, since this was entirely owing to an accident not in our power to help & to no want of attention to your business.

21. As to the sloop Carolina in the [...] of Fort S[t]. David after several fruitless attempts to get [her] into the sea we have been obliged at last to give directions [to] the Deputy Governour & Council to sell her as she [lyes or] break her up as they shall judge most for your Interest they having represented to Us the little probability of her [ever] being afloat again and that the attempting it would be att[ended] with very great Expence we therefore thought it wa[s better] to dispose of her whilst there were any hopes of her selling for anything.

Cons[ns]. 1744 23[d]. April
L[rs]. sent 1744 No. 43,
L[rs]. Recd. 1744 No. 20, 44.

22. We hourly expect the Sumatra from Bengal as we do the Princess Augusta from the Westcoast; we shall send the former thither with all possible Expedition after her arrival with Rice and other stores which they have indented for [but since] the season is so far advanced we must send to the Bay, we purposed had she arrived in time to have sent her for the Cloths at Ingeram & Vizagapatam but as she did not unwilling to risque a disappointment in those supplies we took up the Galatea for that service. This ship sailed the 1[st]. August with a supply of money for the Northern Settlements & we desire your Honours to be referred to our Letter Books for the orders we sent with her.

Cons[ns]. 1744 9[th]., 20[th]. & 30[th]. July
L[rs]. sent 1744 101, 102, 103.

23. The Resident of Madapollam is provided with a vessel to send up his Goods on.

24. Your Honours sloops Porto Bello and Bombay arrived here from Bengal the former the 30[th]. March; the latter the 2[d]. April with saltpetre, Arrack & thirty five Bales of Piece Goods designed for Europe. There was a deficiency in the saltpetre by

Cons[ns]. 1744 2[d]., 5[th]., 9[th]. & 15[th]. April
L[rs]. Recd. 1744.

Ca. mds. lb.

N°. 32, 33, Lrs. sent 1744 N°. 36, 37, 41, 42, [Lrs.] sent 1744 [..] the Bombay of Nine Candies Eight maunds & Eig[hte]en Pounds 9 8 18 which the Master desired might be referr'd to Bengal as he was certain it must proceed from some mistake in the weighing it there. The Gentlemen in Bengal having omitted to send us the Account of the Tonage of the Bale Goods by these sloops is the reason of our not sending them by this conveyance, as our people will be apt to make a mistake in the Calculate.

[Lrs.] Recd. 1744 ...., 38 D°. N°. 46. 25. The Princess Amelia & Exeter were dispatched home from Bengal the former the 7th. the latter the 19th. February as were, The Warwick from the Malabar Coast the 20th. November & the Princess of Wales the 24th. Janry. The St. George left Surat Bar for Bengal the 11th. May.

26. By a Dutch Ship that left Batavia in June we [ascertained] that your Brigantine Brillant was then [...] they could give us no Account of the Colchester, Royal Guardian or Stafford.

Diary 1744 11 April. 27. We take it for granted Your Honours will have been advised by the Salisbury of Commodore Anson's having left the Cape homeward bound.

Consns. 1744 20th. August Lrs. sent 1744 N°. 107. 28. We acquainted the Gentlemen in Bengal that if no unforeseen accident happens we shall be prepared to put on board such ships as they may send Us in January to fill up for Europe two thousand five hundred Bales besides one hundred & forty Tons of pepper. We have also mentioned to them that, if for the sake of dispatch of the large Tonage on hand they should think it proper to put on board a larger Quantity of saltpetre than ordered as last year they would take a separate Bill of Lading for such surplus Petre consigning the same to Us, that, if we should be in a capacity to place Bales in the room of it, we may land it here.

SECONDLY CONCERNING GOODS FROM EUROPE OR FR[OM] ONE PART OF INDIA TO BE DISPOSED OF AT ANOTHER.

Consns. 1744 8 March. 29. According to what we wrote Your Honours by the Heathcote we disposed of the Bad Rice receiv[ed] from Bengal, the account of its produce will appear to you on our Consultations.

Consns. 1744 28 April 5, 14, 21st. & 28 May 3d., 11th., & 26 June 2d., 9th., 20th., & 30th. July. 30. Your Honours will observe in our several Consultations the great difficulty we have had in disposing of such part of the silver received this year fro[m] England as was necessasy for the carrying on our business, 'twas a considerable time after the arrival of the early shipping before we could make any advance that way, chiefly occasioned by the Nabob's shutting up all the surcar mints and the great demand for Gold Mohurs in Bengal which were exchanged here for Rupees, and which lowered the value of silver very much so that scarce any money appeared in our Town but of that sort and the most substantial shroffs were for some time obliged to postpone payment of the Bills drawn on them the persons to whom they were payable were so sensible of the difficulty of raising Pagodas at that time that they remain'd easy till the currency was restored. The Investment both here and at Fort St. David requiring frequent draughts out of our Cash and the Northern settlements wanting further supplies we applied our utmost endeavours to dispose of so much as was necessary to answer these several demands which we at length happily succeeded in and were thereby reliev'd from the apprehensions we were sometime under of not having money to carry on the Investments, which in the present successfull state of it would have prov'd a most grievous circumstance, and have given us the highest concern.

31. The sale of so large a Quantity of silver in common years would of course have lowered the value considerably, but it has been chiefly owing to the causes we have mentioned otherwise there might have been a much better price expected since no ships have imported this year on this Coast from Manilha. We beg leave to assure Your Honours that we have done all that was in our power to obtain the best price the times & circumstances of affairs would permit.

Consns 1744 7 August Lrs. sent 1744 N°. 109. 32. Having for the more advantageous carrying on your business in Bengal sent early thither all the silver we could possibly spare from our own necessary occasions as Your Honours will find from what we have said in a former part of this Letter, for fear of any disappointment in the Latter shipping, or that they might be ordered

to Bengal directly and in such case we might be entirely unprovided with a sum of money to go on with our business till further supplies might arrive, we therefore thought it most prudent to keep all the Duke of Dorset's silver here, but we have ordered it to be coined into Rupees to lye ready in our Warehouse as should those ships appear we may exchange it for what they have on board and hasten their dispatch from hence, which may be of importance for the better securing their passage to Bengal in the late season.

33. On weighing the Duke of Dorset's silver our Committee reported a deficiency of one hundred thirty three Ounces ten penny weights Ozs. 133. dwt. 10, there have been also from thirty to fifty Ounces short in most of the ships Treasure received this year but as most part was deliver[ed] into the Mint where the people accepted of it as full weig[ht] though with some unwillingness was the occasion that no [note] was taken of it before on our Consultations, The scales seem to us to be very even and just and the chests in good order so that we know not how to acoount for this difference of weight which is endorsed on Captain Frognal's Bill of Lading.

34. Finding by the price currents sent to the Merchants here from Bengal in May that Europe Copper was rated at no more than thirty six to thirty eight, 36 @ 38, Current Rupees the Bengal Maund we made a Trial of part of the York's at outcry & sold one hundred & fifty, 150, Candies at the [. . .] price of Eighty six Pagodas, twelve Cash 86. —. 12 ℔ Candy & discounting the Interest of nine 9 ℔ cent the price will then be about forty two 42 Current Rupees the Bengal Maund & being considerably higher than there will we doubt not give Your Honours satisfaction. We purposed to have sold a larger Quantity but after the sale of thirty Lots we found the Buyers begin to fall off and as we had hopes of making an equal sale in January or February we put an end to the sale at that time, and have reserved about one hundred Candies of the York's for that purpose; the rest of that parcel & all we received from the Prince of Wales we have sent to Bengal as before advised.

Lrs. from Engd. dated 1743 31st. Janry. para 4.

Consns. 1744 30. July 13 August.

Lre. sent 1744 No. 107.

35. Our Warehousekeeper has given us an Account of a deficiency in the York's Copper of Nine plates in Tale & in Weight, One Ton thirteen hundreds two Quarters Ton. ⊜. qr. lb. & twenty two Pounds 1. 13. 2. 22, and in the Prince of Wales's of nine Candies Ca. Md. lb. three Maunds & twelve pounds 9. 3. 12. Captain Lascelles is in hopes of finding the plates that are wanting when he comes to shift his ship and both he and Captain Pelly have desired these matters might be referred to Your Honours as both of them apprehend there must have been some mistake in Europe.

Consns. 1744 15 June.

Do 30th. July

Lrs. sent 1744 No. 107.

36. In March last were sold the Culjeed Flannels received by the shipping of the former year, an account of their produce is entered on our Consultation of the 2d. April With the Copper & Madera Wine, we also sold at Outcry, the 9th. of last month, Eight hundred 800 Candies of Lead, with the Embossed Cloths & the White & Culjeed Flannels received this year, and we desire Your Honours to be referred to the Account sale for what each article produced in an average.

Consns. 1744 2d. April.

Do. 30th. July 13th. August.

37. We send herewith our Indents for Woolen Goods, Stores, Medicines & Mint Necessaries.

[Conjsns. 1744 [. . . 3]d. Septr.

38. As to the disposal of the Woolen Goods brought us this year we have waited in hopes of receiving Your Honours further directions on that head and Your Honours may depend on our strict observance of the Orders you shall please to give.

39. What Rupees we had in our Warehouse the beginning of the Year we were obliged to dispose of as we had occasion for the produce of them to supply our Cash, and because they were not proper for Bengal as the Gentlemen there wrote us it was with great difficulty they had passed those before sent them of that coinage, wherefore what we have sent them since the receipt of those advices have been [made] to weigh three hundred sixty seven Ounces ten penny-weights Ozs. 367. dwt. 10 per Mille. The Two chests of Dutch Dollars they sent Us on the Montfort we returned them the produce of by the Sumatra, with this amendment. We shall strictly oblige our Minters to coin none under that weight that there may be no obstructions to their Currency in Bengal.

[Consns. 1744 [. . 14th] May.

40. The Assaymaster delivered us a report representing that the Minters refused to receive the Dutch Dollars which came among the Bullion of this year, as they used before to do at fourteen, 14, pennyweight worse than standard & that in several assays he had made he found them to be fifteen 15 pennyweight worse upon which [we] ordered them to be accounted for at that rate having no reason to suspect Mr. Foxal of any intention to deceive Us.

THIRDLY, TOUCHING INVESTMENTS.

41. Immediately after the dispatch of the Heathcote we took into consideration to promote as far as we were able, this so important & valuable branch of your business and being of opinion that the assistance of some other merchants, if they could possibly be prevailed upon might be of great service towards it as two of those we had already, namely, Molinga Kistna & Ponapa Chittee were so much reduced in their Circumstances & how willing soever they might be yet we could entertain but small hopes from them and therefore we thought it behoved us to look out for such from whom we might have better Expectations: The march of the Morattoes towards Bengal had all the appearance of proving detrimental to that Investment which would occasion ours to be of more consequence at this time that Your Honours might not suffer a disappointment in both, The Losses & Ruin that have attended almost all the merchants who have been employ'd on this Coast for many years past render'd the task very difficult to engage others who couldn't but have made these observations, and received Impressions from them no ways favourable to our present purpose. At the same time we hadn't it in our power to make them any offers that might encourage them to undertake the business, since Your Honours will not believe that, in the present distracted state of this country which has been so miserably harrass'd for many years past, the Brokerage of two, to two & a half per Cent, will ever persuade any responsible man to take the risque of all disasters in advances to weavers & Accidents which this business is subjected to besides the time it must take from the persons other business to apply to the management of this. Your Honours will therefore think we were some what at a Loss to make proposals that we could in the least imagine they would accept of since the Broadcloth last received was appropriated to Telesinga Chittee for Tomby Chittee & the Old set, Molinga Kistna & Ponapa Chittee in order to support them & ease their ballances. The persons whom we had our Eyes upon & who we thought most capable of serving Your Honours in this business were Sunca Rama's son, Gundaveddy VencataRama, Ambaltaudy, & Nella Chittee whom we sent for to the Board in order to try if we could bring them to accept of such terms as we could offer which was [no] more than the bare Brokerage. Your Honours will find in that consultation the Terms they insisted on and that we at [last] got them to accept of ours upon the promise of our recomme[nding] them to you & having all the assistance we could possibly giv[e] them for carrying on the Business. This was the Agreement we came to with them for this year, but they at the same Time declared, That they did not intend this should oblige them by a continuance another on such unequal terms. As we judged it might be most for your Interest & incite the Merchants to a better performance we devided the sortments of the Cloth amongst them as you will observe and we have the great satisfaction to acquaint you that their performances this year are much beyond our Expectations they having brought in since the 20th. February near nine hundred Bales and by the end of this month will compleat one thousand and to this we hope by the end of January an addition of five or six hundred more provided no unhappy Incident should intervene to obstruct the business.

Consns. 1744 20th. Febry. Lrs. sent 1744 No. 19, Lrs. Recd 1744 No. 24. Do. No. 68,

42. At the same time that we concluded with these merchants we recommended it to the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David to do the same with theirs they accordingly engaged Andiapah of Porto Novo and we must do them the Justice to say that they have taken all imaginable care to forward the business there as much as possible. They have provided already near nine hundred Bales, about six hundred of which have been sent us, and we expect some more in few days, and Andiapah assures them he will deliver by January wherewith to make up fourteen hundred Bales if not more: We mentioned to the Deputy Governour before his departure

that, if he could possibly get the merchants to reduce the Ordinary Salampores from twenty four 24 to twenty or twenty one, 20 or 21, Pagodas ℔ Corge, at the price we beleived they would be acceptable to you as you were particularly desirous of having a large Quantity of Salampores Andiapah refused to bring them in on those terms but Irshapa Chittee & Narran Chittee two other Merchants have promised to bring in three hundred Bales by the end of January. As the Salem Cloth under the Denomination of Porto Novo when provided by Andiapah was so agreable to you and what you have been pleased to recommend to Us we were in hopes that Andiapah might again have been serviceable to you in that respect and you will find some attempts were made to procure Cloth in those parts but they were totally overset by the Morattoes entering that Country who ravaged & plundered there without Mercy: Andiapa had sent the sum of Eleven thousand Pagodas thither but very fortunately the Peons who carried it when they were within one days Journey of Salem had intelligence of the Morattas being thereabouts & came back with it. As soon as the Weavers return & there is any probability of getting any Cloth in that Country, Your Honours may depend upon our vigilance & care in this Matter.

Consns. 1744 14th. & 21st. May 11 June Lrs. Recd 1744 No. 49, 61. Lrs. sent 1744 No. 50, 75, Lrs. sent 1744 No. 28, 35, Lrs. Recd 1744 No. 30, 37, 40, 44

43. On receipt of your Commands for the Investment of this year by the York we transmitted to Fort St. David & the Northern settlements, such Extracts thereof as particularly respected them or required any alteration in the orders we had before given on that subject and the Gentlemen acting for Your Honours at all those places have promised their nearest compliance with them.

Consns. 1744 3d. & 11 June Lrs. sent 1744 No. 62, 65, 66, Lrs. Recd 1744 No. 68, 81, 86,

44. The investment at your three settlements to the Northward has labour'd under great difficulties this year from the high price of Cotton which makes the Ordinary Cloth of no advantage to the Merch[ts.] but rather a loss at the present prices, so that the advantage they gain by the Fine is sunk in the other, which has been so great a discouragement that your Honours will not be surprised the Contracts there are not better performed, however we hope to receive from thence this month & in January upwards of Eight hundred Bales; They have been fully supplied with money, and we have done every thing in our power to forward your business in those parts.

Fourthly touching the Trade of India, and therein any transactions with the Country Government.

45. We advised Your Honours by the Lusitania that Nizam Al Mulk was returned into this province to a place called Gundecota where he stay'd till near the end of March making his Appointments to the several Governments of Cundanore, Golconda, Corrapa and Arcot the last of which he had granted to Coja Abdulla Cawn one of his Officers, but that person died the same night upon which it was given to another named Anawardee Cawn who had been formerly Nabob of Chickacul; he came to Arcot the beginning of April bringing with him Saib Judda the late Nabob's son, & the several Killedars of the Forts in the province who had attended Nizam ever since his coming into these parts. The family & Relations of the late Nabob were very much chagrened at this Appointment having been a long time amused with the repeated promises of Nizam that Saib Judda should have his Father's post, but all they could now obtain was that when he had attain'd the Age of Manhood it should then be given him; that the present Nabob should educate him and that he should be in a particular manner recommended to his Care and patronage. This young Lad had lived with Nizam now upwards of a year who seem'd much delighted with him & express'd a concern at parting, not usual with that Great Man. The two New Subahs of Cundanore & Corrapa also attended our Nabob to Arcot & stay'd with him two months after which they returned to their respective Governments; this was about the beginning of June till which time all was quiet at Arcot, the people being kept in Awe by the Six thousand horse those officers had with them, and which they carried off Soon after Moortas Alli Khan, the person through whose Instigation the late Nabob was killed, hired fourteen persons of the Patan cast to assasinate the Nabob, Saib Judda and some others intending to seize upon the Government to compass which design they waited several days but a slight indisposition kept the Nabob at home and the day he was to have gone to the

Consns. 1744 2nd. April.

Mosque where they lay in wait for him, his time hap'ned to be taken up in receiving the present we had sent him so that he providentially escaped their hands, but the next day they had an Opportunity of entering the Fort at Arcot and Murdering the Killidar, Saib Judda and six more of his Relations; Twelve of these Assasins were instantly cut to pieces and the two others were taken and in the Turband of One was found an obligatory Note signed & sealed by Moortas Alli Khan for two hundred thousand Rupees to be paid them on their executing this piece of wickedness; These were also put to death and since then there has been another attempt on the Nabob's Life which miscarried also, The death of this unfortunate young Lad & the manner of it has greatly afflicted our Nabob as he was sensible it would occasion Nizam's great displeasure for his not having taken more care of him and had not his Age and services pleaded strong in his favour he certainly had lost his post; his Negligence was interpreted at first by Nizam as a design in favour of his own son but after he had read the Note of Moortas Alli Khan in which the Nabob's Name was mentioned as one they had marked out for a Victim it soften'd him a good deal, nevertheless he did not fail to reproach him severely in all his Letters for his great Negligence towards the Lad & upbraiding him with his not performing his promise when he committed him to his Charge.

Consns. 1744 26th. June.

Consns. 1744 11th. June.

46. Since this Accident has hap'ned & that the Old Family have now no hopes of having the Management of Affairs in this province from whom we might have expected some Advantages we are glad to find a person of so good a disposition placed at Arcot. As he was pretty much a stranger to Europeans having lived most part of his Life in the Inland Countries we thought it highly proper to send a person thither to him who might discourse with him on such Matters as would most concern our Interests and the establishing a good opinion of Us with him as well as to prevent his receiving any Impressions of Us to our disadvantage. This we obtain'd of Hodjee Addee to undertake for Us and which commission he has executed with great fidelity: he is at present at Arcot in his favour & confidence with the Nabob and we believe will take up his Residence there the Nabob being so very fond of his conversation that he is generally with him the greatest part of the day and he has so good an Opinion of his Abilities that he is consulted on all important occasions; by this we have fortunately a very good Friend to assist Us in our Affairs there.

Consns, 1744 21st. May.

47. The Officers & those who had an Interest in the surcar Mints were, at the Nabob's first coming to the Government, very urgent with him to recall the Grant given Us by the late family for the Coinage of the Arcot Rupees, Hodjee Addee and some persons who had received Civilities in Madrass stood by Us on this occasion & prevailed on the Nabob not to give ear to what those people had petitioned for who had made him to believe the Madrass & Pondicherry Mints would swallow up all the Revenues that might arise from the Mints in his Country; but the Nabob being told by our friends that they grossly imposed on him and that the silver coined in Madrass was chiefly for the Company, that the private silver was permitted to be carried into the Surcar Mints he seem'd satisfied therewith and has not given us the least Interruption in that business We have however thought it prudent to confine ourselves for the present to the coinage of only your silver in order to preserve that to you as to prevent any renewal of those applications to him with a design to deprive Us of it.

Do. 28th. May 3d. June.

48. The great Complaints of the baseness of the Arcot Rupee, have occasioned the Nabob to alter the standard: They are now from five to seven penny weight better than they were before: The shroffs and Minters having been considerable Gainers by the debasing the Coin combined together to prevent the Nabob's orders taking Effect with respect to the New standard and for some time they refused to send any silver into the Mints in hopes of bringing him to their terms but the Nabob was fully resolved to have them complied with and resenting their behaviour, he made a purchase of silver himself, 'twas on this Occasion he wrote to our President for the value of twenty thousand Pagodas: Your Honours will observe on our Consultations what measures were observed on that Affair and that we carefully avoided having to do with a Nabob in Money Matters or Negotiations of that Kin[d] as the Consequence might have proved very prejudicial [to] your affairs in future times.

49. In March our President received Letters from Nizam Al M[ul]k, Coja Abdullah Cawn, & Imaum Saib desiring him to take under his charge several parcels of Goods to be forwarded to Surat and thence to the Mogul's Court, Your Honours will please to observe on our Consultations the answer sent Nizam on that occasion and our reasons for continuing those Goods under the Care of Imaum Saib's people & not taking that charge on Us; Nizam in reply to our President's Answer assured him that the Risque of transporting the Goods to Surat we were in no manner accountable for; he kept them here some time in Imaum Saib's house but to our great satisfaction has since sent for them away to Golcondah with a design as we suppose to keep them himself rather than present them to the Court at a time when he is under their Frowns. Our advices inform Us that the Mogul has sent Cawn Douran's son with a powerful army to take possession of the Deccan Country & to seize upon Nizam who is retired from Aurungabad to Golcondah on that account in order to secure himself. Consns. 1744 29 : March 24. April.

50. Your Honours will be acquainted in our last year's Letters of the presents made to Nizam and the attendance of our Gentlemen on him at his Camp at Tritchanopoly he at that time shew'd great readiness to grant us some marks of his favour and we have ever since been waiting for them, when we heard he was on his departure for Golcondah as he seemed to have forgot Us we thought it proper to put him in mind of the services done to the Mogul's subjects by the English and which he seem'd at that time to take so well of Us. Our president hereupon wrote him a Letter which Your Honours will find upon our Consultations we had little reason to expect from his behaviour the performance of any promises [how]ever we let him know it was [not] yet out of our Memory That he had given them to Us. As yet we have received no answer thereto. Consns. 1744 24. April.

51. A shroff belonging formerly to Arcot and for some time One of our Inhabitants named Dialdoss, having lent one thousand Rupees to M[r]. Daniel Berriman who put off the Payment from time to time & going to the Mount soon after Dialdoss went thither to him to demand the Money M[r]. Berriman having none there nor indeed anywhere else, being insolvent, desired him to be easy and he would endeavour to obtain the sum from his friends on his return to Madrass; this did not satisfy Dialdoss who thought by applying to the Havildar of S[t]. Thoma, the Mount being in that district, he should with his assistance be able to recover the Money & according to the Moors Custom promised the officer two hundred and fifty Rupees or a quarter part for that purpose this Officer having been newly sent thither & a perfect stranger to all Affairs of the Europeans was prevailed upon from the hopes of the re[ward] offered him to send some peons to the Mount to oblige M[r]. Berriman to pay the money or to bring him to S[t]. Thoma: The peons accordingly went and gave M[r]. Berriman some little trouble upon hearing of which the President immediately sent some peons thither who brought in Dialdoss, & another party were ready to fetch the Havildar whom we intended to punish corporally for daring to concern himself with an Englishman, before this other party set out the Principal Inhabitants of S[t]. Thoma had been in a body to the Havildar to tell him that his Conduct would draw on him the resentment of the Governour of Madrass and that he and the Town must suffer by his Imprudence, upon which being made sensible of his Error and dreading the Consequences of it he beg'd them immediately to repair to Madrass and if possible obtain forgiveness of it; accordingly they came & pleaded in that Officers behalf that he had never been accustomed to any intercourse with the Europeans, having been born & brought up in the inland countries where he had exercised this office, & where it was a practice; that he was greatly concerned for what had happen'd and would never be guilty of the like in future and that they would be bound to see this Engagement performed if he was admitted to pardon. As we were sensible that what the people urged in behalf of the Officer was true as to his being a stranger to the European customs and that this Action proceeded chiefly from that cause and that when he had found his mistake he had immediately made his submission, & applied to the President; for these Reasons we were induc'd to pass it by at this time and also because this person was a near relation of the then Nabob Coja Abdullah Cawn and who might take it well of Us; however the President let him know, that if either He or any other Havildar of S[t]. Thoma should offer any molestation to our people hereafter we were Consns. 1744 8. March 16 April.

determined to take our full satisfaction. We fined Dialdoss in the sum of three hundred Pagodas & should have imposed a larger sum on him but that his fortune was very small & unable to bear it with the Loss he was likely also to sustain of the money lent Mr. Berriman.

Consns. 1744 9th. April.

52. On the President's coming to the Government Coja Namah Tulla Cawn, who then commanded in the province for his Father Coja Abdullah Cawn, sent him a horse & seerpaw as usual and who we believe expected in return the same Compliment as has been paid to our Nabobs but as at that time it was the general Opinion that Nizam would soon make his appointments & uncertain whether the subahship of this province would be continued to Coja Abdulla Cawn or given to another, we judged it best to delay it in order to save the charge of a second present if any alteration should be made, which, as it happen'd has been the saving so much money to your Honours.

53. Our present Nabob is enlarging the Fort at Covelong in order to receive his Family in case of the approach of the Morattas at any time.

Consns. 1744 11 June 13 August Lrs. Recd. 1744 No. 58, 83,

54. Your Honours will be informed from Bengal of the behaviour of the Nabob of Cossimbuzar to the Moratta Generals: Advices from Sellarra have reached Arcot which mention that their King is highly exasperated at it and resolved to revenge it for which purpose he has sent thither an army (it's said) consisting of One hundred thousand horse under the Command of Futta Sing, & Rahgojee Bosalla the two Generals who were formerly in this province who are to enter Bengal after the rains in October.

Consns. 1744 .... 5 & 12 March 21 May 11 & 16 June Lrs, sent 1744 No. 32, 34, 74 Lrs. Recd. 1744 No. 25, 47, 59, 83, 85,

55. The 30 Paragraph of our Letter by the Duke & Montfort mentioned to your Honours that seventeen hundred Pagodas had been extorted from Mr. Pitt at Upparra on account of the wreck of a ship lost near that place & promised you our sentiments on the matter when we received some clearer account of it. Since then your Honours will see by our Consultations & Letter Books that we had been led into a further correspondence on that subject, but, that some of the Papers which we thought might assist Us in judging of it have come so lately to our hands that we flatter ourselves Your Honours will excuse Us that we dont till January comply with the abovementioned promise.

Fifthly touching Fortifications, buildings repairs, and Revenues.

56. As we purpose to be fuller on this head in January we shall not take up more of your Honours time here than to remark that the hospital & Barracks in the white Town being represented to us to be so ill floored as to become unwholesome to the people we ordered them to be new paved; some Repairs have been made to your Buttecas without the Wall of the White Town. And We have gratified the Inhabitants of Mootal Pettah in building a Range of Buttecas in the spaces between the Ends of those streets of it fronting the Northermost Wall of the Black Town. We have also been obliged to a small Expence in repairing the publick Wells & have ordered a calculate to be laid before Us of the Charge of New paving the streets of the White Town which are in great want of it.

Consultns. 1744 16 & 23 April Lrs. Recd 1744 No. 40, 44, Lrs sent 1744 No. 43, Consns 1744 5, 8 & 12 March, Lrs. Recd 1744 No. 25, 47 Lrs. sent 1744 No. 34, 70,

57. The Gentlemen at Fort St. David have been permitted to rebuild their Boathouse & Carpenters yard. Those at Vizagapatam have represented to Us that there is a great deal wanting to be done to their present Fortifications & Buildings & some others to be made but we have directed them only to keep those they have in proper Repair, till we can have a plan laid before Us of what may be really necessary.

Consns. 1744 20 & 27 Febry.

58. We beg your Honours will dispense with our deferring till January any particular Remarks we may have to offer on the state of your Revenues under this Presidency and be referred to our consultations for the Terms on which we have let

to Farm the Banksal duties formerly collected by the Mayor's Court, in consequence of what we wrote your Honours by the Heathcote and relet the Ruby Brokerage, the last cowle for which expired the 10 June. Your Farms at Vizagapatam expiring the last of April were put up at Outcry & sold for a small Encrease in all of them except the Oil & Measuring duties. 3d. 11th. June

59. As to our Fortifications we have done no more to them than what is absolutely necessary to preserve them from decay in expectation of what Your Honours shall have determined about them on the Representation made to you by Major Knipe & also because we have had no person skilled in that sort of work. Consns. 1744 21 June Lrs. Reed 1744 No. 63,

SIXTHLY, TOUCHING FACTORS, WRITERS, OFFICERS AND THEIR ACCOUNTS.

60. Mr. Henry Kelsall whom Your Honours permitted to remove to Bengal, enjoying a very bad state of Health here we permitted to go to Vizagapatam at his request for the recovery of it when he will proceed to the Bay. Consns. 1744 27 Febry. Lrs. sent 1744 ..23, 36,

61. On the receipt of your commands by the Hardwicke we ordered the 3d. Paragraph of them to be sent Mr. Stratton who the 20 July sent us a Letter on the subject which is entered after our Consultation of that date to which we think we cannot deny Mr. Stratton the Justice to add That we are so well persuaded he has been injured by the Representation made to Your Honours of his circumstances that we thought it entirely unnecessary to put him upon any such proof as he offered to give Us of them. Consns. 1744 25 April 20 July

62. Mr. John Waters entered upon the Gunner's Employ immediately on receipt of your Orders of the 14th October but died the 17 June Mr. Percival soon after petition'd Us to be reinstated in that post but as your Honours were pleased to say you should consider in due time what provision to make for him we beleived you would expect we should suspend making any Appointment till your Intentions were further signified to Us, Though We must say that Gentleman's Merit entitles him to any civility in our power which we could judge might be agreable to you. Consns. 1744 25 Apr 26 June.

63. As by Mr. Waters's death we lost the only Bombardier we had in the Garrison our Governour wrote immediately to the Governour of Bombay advising of the accident that had happened to Us & desiring if he could possibly furnish Us with a person skilled in that business to send him on the Augusta hither ; as Mr. Wake was sensible of the necessity we were under & the great service such a person might be of to Us he has been so obliging as to spare Us Mr. Joseph Smith who was sent out by Your Honours to Bombay in the Character of Bombardier and who is recomended by him as a person very capable and deserving & who has also some knowledge of Engineering in which he will be usefull to Us also and in which & what relates to Gunnery we shall, if necessary, make Use of him till we receive your further Orders.

64. Out of the seventy seven Recruits we have received this year we have sent thirty to Fort St. David and several have died what number therefore your Honours [can] supply Us with will be very acceptable as most of our Top[asses] are not to be depended on in time of Action. Consns. 1744 5 & 7 May Lrs. Sent 1744 No. 47, Lrs. Reed 1744 No. 49,

65. The Party of these last we advised Your Honours we had sent to Pegue were returned on the Mermaid which ship falling to Leeward carried them to Vizagapatam from whence they came hither overland. Mr. Smart in a new ship he had built design'd to follow them in few days but having heard nothing of him since January we fear the Troubles in Pegue have detained him, if not worse. Consns. 1744 5th. March 2d. April Lrs. Reed 1744 No. 27, 34,

66. Ensign Raven being disordered in his senses beyond hopes of Recovery we gave a Commission to Daniel Murray who came out with Major Knipe by your Honours permission on the Wilmington. Consns. 1744 1st. June.

67. There being among the Military here two Lunatick persons, who came out this year under those Circumstances, namely, James Nitcher on the Winchester & Thomas Jackson on the York & of whose recovery we have no hopes we beleive Your Honours will not disapprove of our sending them on board the Prince of Wales for Consns. 1744 29 August.

England on the Terms of her Charterparty, as we are thereby eased of two useless men in the Garrison & Your Honours of the charges of maintaining them perhaps many years on the pensioners Roll.

SEVENTHLY, TOUCHING [OUR ACCO]UNTS,

Lrs. Recd 1744 No 46, 83, Consns. 1744 21st. May. Lrs. Sent 1744 No. 55,

68. We have only under this head at present to acquaint Your Honours that in April last the President & Council of Bombay sent [us two] Bills of Exchange that were transmitted them by the Chief & Council of Gombroon; drawn on Sultan David an Armenian Inhabitant of this place & payable to Us One for Fourteen thousand Eight hundred 14800, the other for six thousand 6000 Rupees on account of Woolen Goods sold at Ispahan, which they desired Us to receive & remit to Bengal Presidency. The said Bills were on receipt of them tendered to Sultan David who refused to accept or pay them upon which being protested we returned them to the Gentlemen at Bombay who have acknowledged the receipt of them.

69. As the keeping open this head to particularize the Bills we draw on Your Honours & the Certificates we grant will retard the transcribing what we have to offer under the following we desire Your Honours to be referred as usual to a postscript for them.

EIGHTHLY, TOUCHING THE WEST COAST.

70. Although we represented to the Gentlemen there the necessity of sending away the Princess Augusta as early as possible and that they should keep none of the vessels they dispatch this way after the 15th. July in order to avoid the risque of their entering the Bay in the Monsoon Yet we see nothing of that ship nor have had any advices concerning that settlement except what we mentioned under the first head, and that by a Letter from Batavia Mr. Lennox is mentioned to have been very ill in February & that Mr. Sterling one of your council there was dead.

NINTHLY, TOUCHING THE CHARTER.

71. We have not anything at present to trouble Your Honours with under this head.

TENTHLY CONCERNING THE FRENCH AND OTHER EUROPEANS TRADING TO INDIA.

Lrs. Recd 1744 No. 40, 44, 71

Do. No. 85, 86

Lrs. Recd 1744 No. 49, 74 Consns. 1744 14. & 28 May

72. There have arrived at Pondicherry this year from France four ships namely Dauphin, Bourbon, Neptune & Favoretta by the accounts we have they have brought out between three & four hundred thousand pounds sterling. The first ship the Dauphin arrived so early as the 7th. April and gave them an Opportunity of sending a pretty large supply of money for procuring Cloth at Metchlepatam & Yanam their settlements to the Northward and also to give Employment for their Brokers in this Country as well as in the parts adjacent to Fort St. David, which has been of some prejudice to your Investments. Your Honours will find we did our best Endeavours to prevent as much as in our power their getting any Cloth out of the Towns where your people have hitherto been employed and to which they had not resorted before for the Ordinary sortments, By the Assistance of the Havildars we carried the point against them there, but in those Towns where the fine Cloths are made they will have the advantage of Us as the sorts they send home are more profitable to the Weavers than what Your Honours demand. The Dauphin was sent to China in June; with some Tin, silver, & redwood. The Neptune to Bengal; the Bourbon we hear is designed to be dispatch'd for Europe in October and the Favoretta in January and in the meantime to go to Acheen; They expect another ship which, if she arrives, is we hear, to be sent to the Malabar Coast for pepper & thence to Europe. They give out that the greatest part of the Treasure received this year is ordered by their Company to Bengal where their debts are considerable and which they say are to be paid off before any Investment is made there. They have received directions to reduce the number of servants & their charges as low as possible.

73. The Dutch have this year given liberty for a Free Trade (as they call it) at Batavia but by what we hear it is subject to so many restrictions and must necessarily interfere with their Company's own Trade that we think it cannot possibly hold long. Lrs. Recd 1744 No. 37,

74. The Forts at Negapatam & Caracal the first belonging to the Dutch the other to the French have been surrounded this year by the Tanjourines they were able to give little or no trouble to the Dutch but the French have not come off so well, having lost by the blowing up a Magazine & some sallies they made the chief of the place, some officers & near One hundred soldiers, besides the Expence this War has put them to of upwards of forty thousand Pagodas. The Dutch wisely made peace with them early and saved that Charge knowing that ever a victory would give them no other advantage than keeping their Horse out of their villages for a few days in this Manner they have harrass'd the French for several Months and still continue to do so.

75. Our[spy] Braminy at Arcot wrote Us that the Nabob is displeased with the French & has sent orders to the Killedar of Chingee to take away the villages formerly given them by Subderally Cawn. Consns. 1744 3 & 5th, Septr.

SUPPLEMENT.

76. Having received from Bengal the Account of the Tonage of Bales they sent Us early in the Year by your sloops Porto Bello & Bombay we determined in Consultation the 3d. Instant to send them Your Honours by this ship but they not being gone off when the Swift Snow arrived we have altered our purpose & do not send them. Lrs. Recd 1744 No. 84,

77. In this Packet is one from Bengal that came to our hands the 3d. Instant by the Mercury to which for brevity sake we desire your Honours to be referred for all particulars concerning your Affairs under that Presidency.

78. The Gentlemen at Bombay have wrote Us they advised that the Supracargoes of the Edgebaston were pretty certain of procuring a full Loading of Coffee. Lrs. Recd 1744 No. 82,

79. This ship being dispatched with all possible Expedition for reasons offered Your Honours in our separate address we must desire you will excuse the slips that may occur in point of Regularity & Form & be referr'd to the List of the packet for such papers as we are able to send you without detaining the ship.

80. The amount of the Invoice of the Prince of Wales's cargo is one hundred fifty four thousand nine hundred ninety eight Pagodas thirty four fanams & seventy three Cash 154998. 34. 73, Of that to St. Helena three hundred & seven Pagodas sixteen fanams and sixty five Cash 307. 16. 65, of the Register of Diamonds & Pretious Stones licensed by her twelve thousand & fifty four Pagodas twelve Fanams & thirty Cash 12054. 12. 30, and of Captain Pelly's manifest of private Trade five thousand five hundred & fifty 5550 Pagodas.

81. Your Honours have remaining in Cash here fifty four thousand six hundred twenty four current Pagodas thirty fanams & two Cash 54624. 30. 2, and four hundred forty One 441 Madrass Pagodas.

We are
HONOURABLE
Your faithful humble servants

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
SAMUEL HARRISON.

FORT St. GEORGE
5TH. SEPTEMBER 1744.

POSTSCRIPT.

THE BILLS now drawn on your Honours by the Prince of Wales payable at Ninety days sight and your stated Exchanges to the undermention'd persons and the certificates we have granted are as follow

FOR FREE MERCHANTS &c^{a}. at s. d. 7. 4 Pr. PAGODA.

Set		Pags.	Fa.	Ca.	£.	s.	D.
1	To Anne Newcome or order value of Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}.	800	—	—	293	6	8
[1]	To Frederick Haag or order value of Nicholas Morse & William Monson Esq^{res}.	2252	12	—	825	7	1
[1]	To Captain Timothy Tullie or in his absence to Thomas Hall Esq^{r}. & Joseph Tullie value of Captain Timothy Tullie	3000	—	—	1100	—	—
[1]	To Thomas Nicholas or order value of George Jones	272	26	14	100	—	—
[4]	Sets for Free Merchants at s. d. 7. 4 ... P.	6325	2	14	£ 2318	13	9

FOR COMPANYS SERVANTS at s. d. 7. 8 ℔ PAGODA.

1	Set To Robert James & Joseph Eyre or order value of Thomas Eyre ...	1043	17	17	400	—	—
In all 5	Sets amounting to ... ... Pags.	7368	19	31	£ 2718	13	9

Two thousand seven hundred Eighteen Pounds thirteen shillings & nine pence sterling for which we have received into your Cash here seven thousand three hundred sixty eight Pagodas nineteen fanams & thirty one Cash.

CERTIFICATES.

Set		Pags.	Fan	Ca.
1	For Three hundred Pagodas received of Captain John Pelly Junr. on account of his adventure outward bound and the return thereof	300	—	—

We are

FORT St. GEORGE
5TH. SEPTEMBER 1744

HONOURABLE
Your faithfull humble servants
NICHOLAS MORSE.
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LETTER TO St. HELENA DATED SEPTEMBER 5, 1744

[*Public Despatches to England, vol.* 14, *p* 38.]

TO THE WORSHIPFULL THE GOVERNOUR AND COUNCIL OF St. HELENA.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

As we have no particular directions this year concerning the proportions or sorts of stores to be sent you, You have on this ship Prince of Wales Captain John Pelly Junr. Her charter party Tonnage for your place in Rice Sugar and Arrack as usual for which Invoice and Bill of Lading are is inclosed.

We wish you success in the Honourable Companys Affairs and are.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS
Your most humble servants
NICHOLAS MORSE
&cA. COUNCIL.

FORT St. GEORGE
5TH. SEPTEMBER 1744.

REGISTER OF DIAMONDS, PRECIOUS STONES &C^{a}. LICENCED BY THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE TO BE SHIPPED ON THE PRINCE OF WALES, CAPTAIN JOHN PELLY BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS IN RETURN FOR CORAL AND ON OTHER ACCOUNTS VIZ^{T}.

		By PETER BALLIEU, Executor to the Estate of Dorninger Marchini deceased, consigned to Mess^{rs}. RATSEI & CHAMBERTIN or order.			
R^{M}. C. N°. 1 & 2		Two Boxes of Diamonds Rubies Saphires Pearls and other Precious Stones value	7557	—	—
		By ABRAHAM SALOMON'S consigned to AARON FRANKS or order..			
B^{B}. F	...	One Bulse of Diamonds value	2859	27	62
		By RANDALL & EDWARD FOWKE consigned to Jacob Salvadore or order.			
E.N°: 4	...	One Bulse of Diamonds value £ 546 12 9 In full return for One Box of Coral Beads marked E.N°. 4 imported Anno 1743 ℔ Montfort.	1426	9	48
		By RANDALL and EDWARD FOWKE consigned to DAVID DE CASTRO or order.			
... N°. 5	...	One Bulse of Diamonds value £ 81 — — In full returns for the remains of a Box of Coral Beads marked ✡ N°. 5 imported Anno 1743 ℔ Princess Amelia.	211	11	—
		Pagodas ...	12054	12	30

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
5TH. SEPTEMBER 1744

JOHN SAVAGE
Sec^{ry}.

ACCOUNT PRODUCE OF SUCH CHESTS OF CORAL FOR WHICH REMITTANCES ARE NOW MADE IN FULL P^{a}. PRINCE OF WALES.

			Remittances £.	s.	D.	Valuation the Manifests. £.	s.	D
E. N°. 4	...	One chest of Coral Beads imported Anno 1743 ℔ Montfort.						
		REMITTED.						
		By Bulse September 1744.	546	14	9	370	—	—
—— N°. 5	...	One chest of Coral Beads imported 1743 ℔ Princess Amelia.						
		REMITTED.						
		By Bulse Jan^{ry}- 1743/4. 527 14 10						
		By Bulse Sept^{r}. 1744 81 — —						
			608	14	10	500	—	—
		£	1155	9	7	870	—	—

FORT S^{a}. GEORGE
5TH SEPTEMBER 1744.

JOHN SAVAGE.
Sec^{ry}.

MANIFEST OF PRIVATE TRADE LADEN BY ME ON THE PRINCE OF WALES AS MY ADVENTURE HOMEWARD BOUND.

Camphire	...	139 Tubs value about	...	Pag^{t}. 2140	— —
		cs. md. lb.			
Red Wood	...	8 19 5	... ...	20	— —
China	...	3	Chests	120	— —
Arrack	...	14	Leaguers	630	— —
Benjamin	...	11	Boxes	900	— —
Stick Lack	...	22	Chests	370	— —
Rattans	...	700	Bundles...	170	— —
Garnetts	...	1	Box	140	— —
Sandallwood	...	9	Candys	280	— —
Olibanum	...	28	Bags	150	— —
Salt Petre	...	30	D^{o}.	130	— —
Sundry Piece Goods			... ...	500	— —
				Pagodas. 5550	— —

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
4TH. SEPTEMBER 1744.

JOHN PELLY
Jun^{r}.

LIST OF BOOKS IN THE FORT S^{T}. GEORGE PACKET TO ENGLAND ℔ PRINCE OF WALES.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

N^{o}. 1	Diaries and Consultations ...	1744	From 10th. Febry 1743/4. To 5th. Sept; 1744.
2	Letters Received N^{o}. 21 to 86...	1744	From 10th. Febry 1743/4. To 5th. Sept^{r} 1744.
3	Letters sent N^{o}. 15 to 112 ...	1744	From 10th. Febry 1743/4. To 3^{d}. Septr. 1744:
4	Cash Accounts	1744	From 1st February 1743/4. To 5th. Sept^{r}. 1744.
5	Cowles & Commissions... ...	1744	From 10th. Febry 1743/4. To 5th. Sept^{r}. 1744.
6	Ship Book	1744	From 10th. Feb^{ry}. 1743/4. To 5th. Sept^{r} 1744.
7	Sea Customers Acco^{ts}. Curr^{t}. ...	1744	From 1st. Jan^{ry}. 1743/4. To 31. July 1744
8	Land Customers Acco^{ts}. Curr....	1744	From 1st. Jan^{ry}. 1743/4. To 31st. July 1744.
9	Paymasters Accounts Current...	1744	From 1st; Jan^{r}y. 1743/4. To 31. July 1744
10 11	(Journal) & (Ledger) Q0	...	Comm^{s}. 1st. May 1742, Ending 30 April 1743.
12	Town Mint Accounts Current.	1744	From 1st. Jan^{ry}. 1743/4. To 31st. August 1744,
13	Pettah Mint Accounts Current	1744	From 1st. Jan^{ry}. 1743/4. To 31st. August 1744.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.
SEPTEMBER 6TH. 1744.

JOHN SAVAGE.
Secry.

LIST OF THE FORT S^{T}. GEORGE PACKET TO ENGLAND ℔ PRINCE OF WALES.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

N^{o}. I. Separate General Letter ℔ Prince of Wales dated 5th. September 1744.
2. General Letter ℔ Prince of Wales dated 5th. September 1744, with an addition of the same date.
3. Duplicate General Letter ℔ Lusitania dated 1st. March 1744.
4. Duplicate General Letter ℔ Heathcote dated 10th. February 1743/4.
5. Triplicate General Letter via Pondichery dated 18th. January 1743/4.
6. Copy of the S^{t}. Helena Letter dated 5th. September 1744 ℔ Prince of Wales
7. Copy of the Prince of Wales's S^{t}. Helena Invoice amounting to Pag^{s} 307. 16. 65.
8. Bill of Lading for S^{t}. Helena Goods ℔ Prince of Wales.
9. Invoice of Prince of Wales amounting to Pagodas 154998. 9. 70.

10. First Bill of Lading for the Prince of Wales's Cargo.
11. Bill of Lading for surplus Salt Petre ℔ Prince of Wales.
12. Captain Pelly's request for surplus Salt Petre.
13. Captain Pelly's Agreement for the Freight of this surplus Salt Petre.
14. Captain Pelly's Manifest of private Trade amounting to Pag^{s}. 5550.
15. Muster Roll of the Prince of Wales's Crew.
16. List of the Prince of Wales's Ordanance and war like stores.
17. Calculate of the Prince of Wales's Tonage.
18. List of Packing stuff in 1510 Bales of Coast Goods ℔ Prince of Wales.
19. Copy of the Prince of Wales's Dispatch.
20. Duplicate Invoice ℔ Heathcote amounting to Pagodas 72485. 9. 70.
21. Second Bill of Lading for the Heathcote's Cargo.
22. Copy of the York's Invoice to China, Amounting to Pag^{s}. 64602. 19. 18.
23. Register of Diamonds, Precious Stones &c^{r}. licenced ℔ Prince of Wales.
24. Duplicate Register of Diamonds, Precious Stones &c^{r}. Licenced ℔ Heathcote.
25. Account produce of such Chests of Coral for which remittances are now made in full ℔ Prince of Wales.
26. Duplicate Account produce of such Chests of Coral for which remittances were made in full ℔ Heathcote.
27. Extract of the Manifest of Goods &c^{a}. licenced from England for the Captain and Officers of the Prince of Wales with an Account of what has been landed here by them.
28. Captain Steward's Bond for the Chest of Silver delivered short of his Bill of Lading at Fort S^{t}. George.
29. List of Revenues from 1st. May 1743 to 30th. April 1744.
30. List of Covenanted servants on the Coast of Coromandel 5th. September 1744.
31. List of Inhabitants Women and Seafaring Men.
32. Muster Roll of the Garrison Crew.
33. Muster Roll of Peons and Country Musick.
34. Import Warehouse Indent for Goods for Use and Sale for 1746.
35. Import Warehouse Indent for Woolen Goods for 1746.
36. Storehouse Indent for 1746.
37. Assay Masters Indent for Mint Utensils for 1746.
38. Indent for Medecines for the Use of the Hospital for 1746.
39. List of Persons that have died under the care of the Surgeons at Fort S^{t}. George with their Distempers since the 1st. January 1743/4.
40. Second Receipt for the Packet ℔ Heathcote.
41. A Packet from Mess^{rs}. Oliver and Scarth two of the Supra Cargoes of the York.
42. Five Surgeons first Receipts for Headmoney on the

	soldiers.
Lapwing on ...	11
Prince of Wales.	17
York ...	26
Winchester ...	7
Beaufort ...	16

43. Register of Births, Christnings, Marriages and Burials since y^{e}. 1st. Jan^{ry}. 1743/4.
44. List of Books in the Fort S^{t}. George Packet ℔ Prince of Wales.

IN THE BOX APART.

45. Muster Roll of the Europeans in the First / Second / Third / Fourth Companies of Soldiers at Fort S^{t}. George.
46. A packet from Bengal received at Fort S^{t}. George the 3^{d}. September ℔ Mercury.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.
6TH SEPT^{R}. 1744.

JOHN SAVAGE.
Secry.

LETTER TO CAPTAIN J. PELLY, DATED SEPTEMBER 6, 1744.
[*Public Despatches to England, Vol.* 14 *p.* 44].

To CAPTAIN JOHN PELLY *Junr.*
COMMANDER OF THE PRINCE OF WALES.
SIR

You are hereby ordered to repair on Board your ship & make the best of your way to the Port of London in Great Britain, The final Port you arrive at in England you are to send your Purser overland with the Packet herewith delivered you directed TO THE HOÑBLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HOÑBLE THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES at their House in Leaden Hall Street London taking care to write to them yourself and to give them an account of anything remarkable you may meet with in your voyage.

Our Honourable Masters having ordered our President to give you the needful Instructions for your conduct in the homeward bound Passage in the present situation of affairs in Europe we hereby enjoin & require your strictest observance of such as you shall receive from him.

If you touch at the Cape it will be acceptable to the Governour and Council of S^{t}. Helena that you carry them a supply of Garden seeds Plants &c^{a}.

We wish you a good voyage and date this in Fort S^{t}. George this 6th. day of September 1744.

NICHOLAS MORSE
&C^{A}. COUNCIL.

LIST OF THE HONOURABLE COMPANY'S REVENUES IN FORT S^{T}. GEORGE AS THEY HAVE PRODUCED FROM 1ST. MAY 1743 TO 30TH. APRIL 1744.

FIXED REVENUES.

	Annual Rent. P.	F.	C.
BEETLE and TOBACCO FARM. The cowle granted to Trivitee Sashachilum & Subramoney Chitty for five years, commencing 5th. September 1740, ending 5th. September 1745 at twelve monthly Payments	10000	—	—
ARRACK and WINE LICENSE. The cowle granted to Ahmud Cawn Taran & Hajeejee Cawn Taran for five years, commencing 5th. December 1742, ending 5th. December 1747 at twelve monthly paym^{ts}.	4020	—	—
TOWN BROKERAGE. The cowle granted to Gongodarah Eyah, Sombyah and Quotambaucum Gruapah for five years commencing 5th. September 1740 ending 5th. September 1745 at two half yearly payments	700	—	—
MEASURING FARM. The cowle granted to Gongodarah Eyah Sombyah and Quotambaucum Gruapah. for five years commencing 20th. September 1740 ending 20th September 1745 at Six equal Payments	1000	—	—
FISHING FARM. The cowle granted to Choudree Moodellee &c^{r}. Macquars for five years commencing 25th. March 1739 ending 25th. March 1744 at two half yearly payments	50	—	—
EGMORE &C^{t}. VILLAGES. The cowle granted to Manawaucum Chintomby & Pegue Nella Chitty for Twelve years, commencing 1st. July 1735 ending 1st. July 1747 at one yearly payment	1450	—	—
Carried over Pag^{s}.	17220	—	—

	Annual Rent. P.	F.	C.
Brought over ...	17220	—	—
TRIVITORE &c^{t}. VILLAGES.			
The cowle granted to Linga Chitty & Berry Timapa for Twelve years, commencing 16th. October 1741 ending 16th. October 1753 at one yearly payment	1230	—	—
PADDY FIELDS and SALT PANS.			
The cowle granted to Berry Timapa & Gaunapa Moodelaire for five years, commencing 22^{d}. May 1742 ending 22^{d}. May 1747 at one yearly payment .	710	—	—
RUBY BROKERAGE.			
The cowle expiring the 10th. June was relet the same day to Nairoo Rayloo and Nairoo Vencatashelum for five years commencing 10th. June 1744 ending 10th. June 1749 at four quarterly payments	500	—	—
BUTTECA RENT and SHROFF DUTY.			
The cowle granted to Diddee Gruapah for five years commencing 1st. May 1743 ending 1st. May 1748 at four quarterly payments	410	—	—
BANKSAL DUTIES.			
The cowle granted to Serchary Veraugua, Nalla Tomby Chitty & Jeneguda Tagapah the twenty seventh day of February, for two years commencing 1st. Jan^{ry}. 1743/4 ending 1st. January 1745/6 at two half yearly payments	400	—	—
GARDENS.			
The cowle granted to Ravinapah for Five years commencing 1st. November 1743 ending 1st. November 1748 at two half yearly payments	250	—	—
	20720	—	—

VARIABLE REVENUES.

LAND CUSTOMS from 1st. May 1743 to 30th. April 1744	5672	21	1	
SEA CUSTOMS Ditto	33510	31	16	
TOWN and PETTAH MINT CUSTOMS D^{o}. ...	5510	32	42	
QUITRENT the amount of the assessm^{ts}. end^{s}. 31st. Augst. 1743	2319	9	—	
				47013 21 59
Pagod^{s}.				67733 21 59

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE 5TH. SEPTEMBER 1744.

JOHN SAVAGE.
Sec^{ry}.

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED JANUARY 8, 1745.

[*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 14, pp. 49–51.*]

TO THE HONOURABLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS
FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HONOURABLE THE UNITED COMPANY
OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES.

HONOURABLE

A Danes ship being under dispatch for Europe from Tranquebar we take the Opportunity by her to advise you of the following Occurrences.

The Prince of Wales sailed from hence the 7th. September, two days after we had received your Commands by the Swift of the 10th. April with advice of the War declared by France.

By Letters from Bombay we are informed of the Arrival of the King William there the 10th. Sept^{r}. & her dispatch for Europe the 19th. November.

The 1st. Instant we were favoured with a Letter from your Secret Committee under the 18th. April forwarded to our President from Acheen by Captain Edward Peytor of his Majesty's ship the Medway who with the Dolphin arrived there the 23d. November & made prize of the French Company's ship the Favoretta, which they carried with them on their Cruize from that port, which they left the 14th. December; They parted company with Commodore Barnet & the Preston in the month of October, some days after they left Madagascar where they had called for refreshment of their people, Yesterday came in here the Nuestra Seniora de Peena from Malacca, that lost her passage to this port the last season from Macao, by her we learn that the Hardwicke Capt. Hallet came in there the 17th. of November from Amoy: neither the Supracargoes or Captain have given Us an Account of the occasion of it but by other hands we are told That they left Malacca in their passage from Bombay to China the last of June & that they made the Ladrone Islands the 25th. July when a fisher boat put them on board with two Letters signed Britannicus giving them information That there were lying among the Islands four Spanish ships filled out from Manilha to intercept all English shipping bound into Canton River one of sixty four guns, One of fifty, another of twenty six & a fourth of fourteen & their compliments said to be in all fifteen hundred Men: Upon which they went to Amoy but were so ill treated there that they were obliged to leave the port & return to Malacca after a very hazardous passage & against the Monsoon in the China seas. These Letters are supposed to have been sent by Mr. James Hall & Captain James Lauder from Macao & it is also said that they have placed several Boats at Several Islands in the passage with the same advices, so that we greatly hope your ships York & Statford will have the good fortune to escape also, but there appears little probability of their being able to do their business so as to return to you this season, but of this you will have a more perfect account from Batavia at which Port we are informed Capt. Hallet intends to lye till next season, he left the former port the 2d. December.

We hourly expect to receive advices from Bengal having had none from thence since the 1st. October. They advised us then that they had with great difficulty compromised matters with their Nabob for a sum of money which had restored business to its former currency: That your ship Princess Augusta was arrived there from the West Coast, and that they proposed to send three of your ships to fill up here.

The General of Batavia had sent notice to Malacca of France having declared War against England the account of which was sent Him from Bencoolen on the arrival of the Godolphin there the 23d. August.

We are

HONOURABLE

Your faithful humble servants

FORT St. GEORGE
8TH. JANUARY 1744-5.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
SAMUEL HARRISON.

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED FEBRUARY 15, 1745.

[*Public Despatches to England, Vol.* 14, *paragraph* 53—96]

TO THE HONOURABLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HONOURABLE THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES.

HONOURABLE

1. The Prince of Wales that sailed hence the 7th. September last carried you our General and seperate advices of the 5th. of that month.

2. We have since addressed you under the 8th. of last month by a Danes ship from Tranquebar, and thinking it of great consequence to your Honours that you should not be disappointed of the Advice that Letter contained we communicated the substance of it to the Gentlemen at Bombay & proposed to them the forwarding it to you by Express overland. Consns. 1745 9. January Lrs. sent 1745 No. 5,

3. In the packets by these ships Durrington & Beaufort are Duplicates or Triplicates of all the Letters we have had the honour to write you since the departure of the Duke & Montfort.

4. Since the Prince of Wales sailed we have been favoured with two Letters from the Secret Committee One of the 23d. March 1743 by the Godolphin, received the 18th. Ulto. by the Beaufort from Bengal with your honours Commands by the same ship of the 21st. of that month: The other of the 18th. April 1744 which came to hand the 1st. Ulto., inclosed to our President from Capt. Peyton of his Majesty's ship Medway at Acheen. Consns. 1745 18 Janry. Consns. 1745 1 Janry.

5. We shall now add under the following heads such Occurrences in your Honours Affairs under our Direction as have offered since the Prince of Wales left us, replying as we go along to the yet unanswered parts of your Commands of last year.

FIRST CONCERNING SHIPPING.

6. The Sumatra arrived here from Bengal the 8th. September & was dispatched for the West Coast the 2d. of October Your Honours will observe our reasons for suspending her departure till then on our Consultations—Captain Taylor the Master of her dying the day after her arrival we appointed Mr. Charles Milne to succeed him. Consns. 1744 8th. 12 29 Septr. Letts. Recd. 1744 No. 87, Lrs. Sent 1744 No. 128, 129, 130,

7. The Princess Augusta not returning to us as we had expectations of wrote the Gentlemen in Bengal That if she should have passed our port & be arrived with them and they should upon opening the Letter to us from the West Coast find that that settlement was in want of any particulars which it was in their power to supply them with and they judged of consequence enough to send a ship thither directly that they would dispatch her otherwise that they would send her to Us with Rice, we had the satisfaction to hear of her being safe there in September and of their purpose to send her to us in December, since then the Gentlemen have altered their minds and have detained her in order to bring up a supply of saltpetre which was not come down in time to be put on board the Europe ships; so that probably we shall not see her before the latter end of this month or the beginning of next, when we shall send her on to the West Coast. Consns. 1744 12th. Septr. Lrs. Sent 1744 No. 122, Lrs. Recd 1744 No. 122, Lrs. Recd 1745 No. 9,

8. The Benjamin Capt. Way arrived here from England the fourteenth of last month having spoken with the Wager off the Cape the 24th. September; he acquainted Us that he was bound to Bengal & had no packet for this place upon which we demanded his reasons for coming in here which he accordingly delivered Us. As we were fully informed that neither this ship nor the Wager could possibly be provided for, in any manner at Bengal we judged your Honours would expect that we should do all that in us lay to employ her to your best advantage till the time for dispatching her to Europe which we propose shall be in September, In this Interval she will be sent to the West Coast with some stores & necessaries which they are in great need of, Her Treasure & Cargo out of Europe we have landed here except the salt Provision which she may have an Opportunity of delivering in her present intended voyage. Consns. 1745 14 15 16 Janry. Consns. 1745 4 14 Febry. Lrs. Sent 1745 No. 28, 29,

9. The Durrington arrived here from the Bay the 16th. & the Beaufort the 18th. January as none of his Majesty's Squadron appeared on our Coast we thought it most for the security of your Estate to send both these ships with the Benjamin to Fort St. David in which we lost no time for fear of the southerly wind setting in they were dispatched & sailed the 22d. & arrived there the 24th. where having received on board One thousand & thirty nine 1039 Bales they returned to us the 4th. Instant. Each ship carried a party of Men from our Garrison who remained on board to the Consns. 1745 16th. 18 Janry. Lrs. Recd 1745 No. 9, 10, 11 Lrs. Sent. 1745 No. 11, 12, 14, 15, 16.

Consns. 1745 4. Febry. Lrs. Recd 1745 No. 28, Lrs. from England dated 1743 Lrs. Recd 1745 No. 9 21st. March par. 4

time of their leaving Us. Your Honours will observe in the Letter from Bengal the reasons of their having been kept so long there which Occasioned their late arrival with Us and as they had so considerable a number of Bales to take in here we doubt not your Honours will be satisfied that we have done our utmost to prevent their staying any longer than was absolutely necessary to their stowing them away and as we have done all on our parts so we must take the liberty to assure you these Commanders have not been wanting on theirs we have therefore promised them for this deligence that we would recommend them to you for any favour you may think them deserving of.

Lrs. Recd 1745 No. 1, Lrs. Recd 1744 No. 122,

10. The King William left Bombay for England the 19th. November; as did the Colchester from Benjar in July; The Statford & Cæsar had both been at Batavia outward bound. The Swift Snow left Bengal the 8th. November & the Lapwing for Bencoolen the same month.

Consns. 1745 18 Janry. 9 & 14 Febry. Lrs. sent 1745 No. 11 Lrs. Recd 1745 No. 24,

11. We continue the Custom to take a survey of the ships and their warlike stores & to muster their men & shall observe your Orders in protesting against such of the Commanders who are short of their Compliments & we shall take care that none of our Military be permitted to go on board but such as have served out their contracted times & will not relist, we have in order to engage them the more willingly to do so, shortned the Term to three years instead of five giving them at the same time the gratuity as before.

Lrs. from England dated 1743.

12. Whenever any of the Commanders are obliged to hire Lascars for the homeward bound service we shall duely comply with your directions in obliging them to enter into a Contract for their wages & allowances forwarding it by the ships to your Honours.

21 March par. 11.

13. The large Tonage sent out last year and the disappointments in the Bengal Investment will not permit us to put on board any surplus Tonage till all the ships are provided for.

para 9 10

14. In case of the death of any of your Commanders we shall do the best in our power to secure the sums you have lent them.

par. 12

15. We shall not be able to employ your country ships during the course of the War so frequently as heretofore in bringing Bales from the subordinate Factories & saltpetre from the Bay as you are pleased to mention: Their Employment will be now chiefly to the West Coast and as that settlement by our last advices was but on ill terms with Batavia they will stand in need of as large supplies as these ships can possibly carry them since till those matters are reconciled their whole dependance must be upon what they can be furnished with from hence & Bengal.

par. 15 16

16. The orders sent us relating to illicit Trade & the package of such sort of Goods as are sent on board from hence to be shot loose shall be duely complied with.

par. 17 18 19

17. We have acquainted the Commanders of these ships with your resolutions relating to their conviving at soldiers or seamen coming on board their ships as we shall do in future to all others & we shall not fail to advise you of any who shall trespass in this respect.

Lrs. from England dated 1743 para. 20, 21, 22 and 21st. March.

18. Our Warehousekeeper & Storekeeper promise their attention to your Orders about Endorsing the Bills of Lading.

para. 27, 28, 29.

19. From the advices relating to the China shipping we have little Expectation of seeing the York here this year but if she should arrive with Us your directions concerning her shall be duely observed.

para. 30, 31.

20. As shall also those relating to the Package of the Fine Goods put on board any of your ships that cannot be dispatched hence before the 20th. of February.

Lrs. Recd. 1745 No 9 31.

21. The Gentlemen in the Bay acquaint Us of the Montague's sailing for Bombay the 24th. November & that in consequence of Advices received from thence they had resolved to send three ships to Tellicherry to fill up with Pepper; that the St. George & Winchester were accordingly dispatched thither the 9th. & the Prince William the 25th. December, Our freshest advices from Tellicherry under the 15th. Ulto: tell us the

Montague arrived there alone the 20th. December & was immediately sent on to Bombay; that the Winchester arriving there the 5th. January was sent the 11th. to fill up at Anjengo & that the St. George importing there the 7th. January would be dispatched thence for Great Britain the 17th. of that month.

22. It falling out that sometimes Garnets are sent from hence to England in return for Coral, Bugles or Pearl consigned hither it is our practice upon application for Licence to Register them to your Honours as you will please to observe by these & former ships and in consequence the Secretary gives a permit by our Order to the Commander to receive them on board the ship they are designed to go on; As no fault has been found with this method by your Honours we beleived we were right, & have always understood that the freight & other advantages on such things were your Honours by Charterparty and that the Commanders were obliged to receive them but for these two years past they have made some hesitation at taking them in on account of their Bulk, without a peremptory Order from the Board, which it's insinuated to Us would entitle the Owners to account them into the ships Tonage As we are not fully masters of your manner of accounting for such things with the Owners and this may perhaps introduce an innovation to Your Honours disadvantage we do not chuse to alter the Method we have so long used but request your Orders upon the matter to guide us in future.

SECONDLY, OF GOODS FROM EUROPE OR FROM ONE PART OF INDIA TO BE DISPOSED OF AT ANOTHER.

23. The Rice brought hither by the Sumatra from Bengal in September being very indifferent and not of a sort proper for the West Coast we landed here one thousand bags & put salt on board in the room.

24. We wrote your Honours by the Prince of Wales that in expectation of seeing the Godolphin and Wager and that they might lose no time at this port we had coined fifty chests of silver into Rupees thinking to repl[ace] that Quantity by what we might receive out of them but as none of what they bring out is likely to fall into our hands we shall be obliged to dispose of those Rupees for our own necessary occasions as we shall of the thirty chests of Bullion brought by the Benjamin. Consns. 1744 8 Septr.

25. Your Honours will please to be assured that after having waited to know your sentiments about the disposal of the Broad Cloth, we should with the greatest Readiness have fallen into the method of Outcryes but we observed in a subsequent Paragraph that you expected the Merchants ballances were cleared by the Indulgence you had granted them in this Article, but by the Accounts transmitted you last year there will appear to be then due from Tomby Chitty, Molinga Kistna and Ponapa Chitty upwards of thirty thousand Pagodas and as great part of this money is irrecoverable in any other manner than by the continuing to them that favourable Assistance your Honours will think it required a proper consideration to act in this Affair so as to prevent as much as in us lay the loss of so considerable a sum by these people, at the same time we found there were two other Points of great consequence if possible to be attained, The one the securing Telesinga Chittee & the other sets of Merchants for this year's business; The other to prevent the raising of the Brokerage which we chose to avoid till we had your final answer to what was represented to you in the 22d. Paragraph of our Letter by the Duke. Your Honours will observe our deliberations on these several matters in our Consultations and that under such Embarrassments we hope they will answer the Expectations Your Honours may have of our taking such measures as should be most for your Interest & if these purposes are answered and our endeavours meet with your Approbation it will give us the highest satisfaction; It was under these views that we have for this year only been obliged to consent to the disposal of the Broad Cloth to the Merchants by which means we have secured five thousand 5000 Pagodas more of Tomby Chitty's debt as we shall a further sum of Molinga Kistna's & Ponapa's and have also prevailed on all our Merchants to undertake the business for the running year without any advance on their Brokerage without which or some other Assistance we could have little Expectation of their engaging with Us or if they did that their performances would be any thing considerable. Upon the whole we are to observe that you will hereby have actually two

Consns. 1744 10 Decr. Consns. 1745 18 and 21 Janry.

Consns. 1745 28. Jan.ry.

Lrs. from England dated 1743.

21st. March para. 34. thirds of the profits made on the Broad Cloth paid into your cash & for the small Gratification of the other Third the Expence of the higher Brokerage saved, by all which we hope we shall appear to your Honours to have understood your true Interest and to have pursued it in every point & That under these several difficulties no other means were so practicable. In answer to that part wherein you mention that you apprehend the Merchants are more intent upon a large profit th[an] a Great vend of this Commodity you will permit us to acquaint you There was a Trial made of this in former years by Tomby Chitty when the Indent was for one thousand Bales; he had the mortification to find himself disappointed & thereby actually sunk a very considerable sum and it was owing chiefly to that heavy weight that your Warehouses had such large remains for several years.

21st. March para. 33. 26. We sent early to Bengal all the silver we could possibly spare which we are informed was of great service to the Investment there and this we shall continue to [do] on all occasions.

para. 37. Lrs. Recd. 1744 No. 93, 115. Lrs. Recd. 1745, No. 32. 27, We thank your Honours for the Guns you have supplied us with & we are to request your care of us in forwarding what we now write for as well as the small Arms which we shall be greatly in want of as our subordinate Factories have made large [demands on us] for these Articles since the commencement [of ...].

28. The Madera wine your Honours were so kind to supply us with this year is somewhat better than that of the last though far inferior to the Wines of some years past: The Quantity of One hundred Pipes indented for by the Prince of Wales might serve in common years, but, as the Men of War are in India, fifty 50 Pipes more may probably be vended as well as be acceptable.

29. We have paid the Trustee of Captain Taylor the seventy three Pagodas twenty five fanams & fifty seven Cash, 73. 25. 57 he deposited here on account of a short delivery of Copper in the Bay as you are pleased to order and shall take care to be as expressive as we can when any such accidents happen with respect to the condition of the package of all such Articles as you direct.

Consns. 1745 24 Jany. Lrs. Sent 1745 No. 19. Consns. 1745 9 Febry. Lrs. Recd. 1745, No. 9. 30. We mentioned to your Honours in our former Advices that we had made an advantageous sale of part of the York's Copper, after which we were concerned to find it did not obtain that reputation in the inland Countries as we had hopes of, But we were at the same time informed that this sort of Copper might do for the Ganjam Market on which we put to sale the 6th. Instant the remainder of that parcel by the York being about One hundred 100 Candies & had the satisfaction to find the prices equal to the former sale. The little success the Gentlemen in Bengal expect in disposing of the great Quantity they have already there had led them to desire that if

Consns. 1745 9 Febry. the Wager should arrive here we would take out the Copper & dispose thereof. That sent on the Benjamin we have landed and if we can possibly [dispose on any] tolerable terms so as to ease the Bengal market of this Quantity we shall not fail to do it otherwise we shall forward it thither: It came out here short of Invoice weight

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three hundreds three Quarters & Nineteen Pounds which Captain Way has been called upon to pay for, what he alledges will, we hope, justify our complying with his request in referring it to your Honours: The Deficiency is endorsed on his Bill of Lading.

Consns. 1745 24 Jany. Lrs. Sent 1745 No. 19. 31. Two of the Cases of Velvets brought by the Benjamin we have forwarded to Bengal as we shall the other two by some future Conveyance.

Cons.ns. 1745 24 Jany. 9 Febry. 32. The Montfort having in the year 1743 delivered in Bengal a large Quantity of Lead consigned Us the Gentlemen there desired of Us to take out as much of any of the ships which might be designed for them which we have not had an Opportunity of doing till this parcel offered by the Benjamin which we shall therefore dispose of here. The 6th. Instant we made a sale of seven hundred 700 Candies at thirteen Pagodas thirteen fanams & twenty seven Cash 13. 13. 27 ℔ Candy in an Average.

Cnosns. 1745 16 & 21 Jany. 33. One of the Nabob's Ministers at Arcot lately wrote to some Merchants in this place acquainting them that his Master had a pressing occasion for two Lacks of Rupees there not being such a Quantity in Town except in your Treasury they

applied to the President on the occasion & it was ag[reed] to acquaint them that if Remittances were made to the amount they might be furnished with that sum at the Market prices this we did with design to show our readiness to oblige his Excellency whose behaviour to Us has been so handsome that we were glad of the Opportunity however in the interum either the price of Rupees altering at Arcot or that this person found other methods to negotiate the sum he wanted he instead of remitting the money as he had promised to pay for the Rupees sent a proposal for the Collectors of the Revenues of the Province to pay for them out of the produce of the Rents, which he well knew were terms we could not accept & we suppose were only designed to amuse us with a pretence for breaking off from his first Offers. Lrs. from England dated 1743.

THIRDLY, INVESTMENT.

34. We have with strict care & attention made it our endeavour to comply as near as possible with your List of Investment and we flatter ourselves the performances this year at the several settlements will give your Honours satisfaction: you will find these cargoes to be of a good Manufacture and their purchases to be on as reasonable terms as can be expected. As you particularly recommended the provision of Salampores we have prevailed with our Merchants here and at S[t]. David's to bring in a very considerable Quantity of these sortments: we have also made an attempt to recover the fabrick of the Fine Long cloths & Salampores formerly made in this Country which were always in esteem at home preferable to the Cloths of those kinds from other parts and we this year hope to encrease the Quantity. You have likewise a few bales of Salem Cloth but the troubles in that country from the Morattas in the beginning of the year prevented your servants at S[t]. Davids from procuring any Number of Bales and we fear the present designs of those People on Tritchanopoly (to which that country is adjacent) may greatly disappoint any measures that can be taken for a large Investment there: if it be practicable we shall lose no Opportunity either in this or any other part to procure for you all the Cloth we possibly can, as there is reason to ho[pe] this year that the French will not have it in their power to hurt us though we cannot but be sufficiently alarmed at the Contracts the Dutch have began to make & whose turn again to business of this nature has already been of disservice to your Affairs. 21[st] March par. 41, 42.

35. Soon after the Prince of Wales left Us we received advice from your servants at Vizagapatam & Ingeram that the French had considerably advanced on the prices, by which they had entirely put a stop to your Inve[st]ment there As this design of theirs seemed purposely calcul[ated] to disappoint us of doing any business in those parts we thou[ght] there was no time to be lost: in order therefore to prevent [their] measures taking effect we immediately sent directions for the advancing of our prices also on the Ordinary Cloths rat[her] than the Method the Gentlemen there proposed to Us of taking in a larger Quantity of Fine, as these sorts were not acceptable to you: By these means we have engaged the Mercha[nts] to us again and we may expect they will be able to go on with your business: but the Government is so very bad & the [...] Country so liable to disturbances that we cannot promise Y[our] Honours any great Matters from thence whilst Nizam [...] solls *sic* those Governments to the highest bidders who have no [other] way of making good their Engagements to him but to rob & plunder every one they are set over. The new Nabob of Rajahmundrum has again this year as last attempted to force Timbers on the two Factories of Ingeram & Madapollam and for that purpose sent for their vackeels whom he imprisoned & abused till he had extorted a sum of money; no business coud go forward at either of those places for some time the merchants being obliged to abscond and we had little Expectations of getting clear of the Timbers but on our President's repeated Remonstrances to the Nabob he was at length prevailed on to disist from this purpose and at present they are easy and the money resorted, but there is great reason to beleive the Nabob will in some shape or other find out means to plague the Merchants who either themselves or their Relations have generally some concerns with the surcar whereby they never want an Opportunity to fleece them. Lrs. Recd. 1744 N°. 100, 102, 136. Lrs. sent 1744 N°. 113, 114, 140. Lrs. Recd. 1744 N°. 89, 93, 94, 95, 109, 114, 115, 126.

36. As we imagined the Consequence of our refusing those Timbers might put a total stop to the Investment in those parts and having great reason to apprehend the Bengal Investment would fall short as well as that our Instances to that Nabob might Lrs. sent 1744 N°. 140, 147, 162.

prove ineffectual we judged it best in these circumstances to give discretional orders to those Residents to receive the Timbers rather than by a refusal to have your business obstructed especially as the Loss on the Timbers would be very inconsiderable & what the advantages on the Investment would easily compensate.

37. The Investment on this Coast is as follows

Madrass Eighteen hundred Bales	1800
Fort S^{t}. David Two thousand	2000
Vizagapatam Two hundred & Eighty	280
Ingeram Three hundred & seventy	370
Madapollam One hundred & fifty	150
Together ...	4600

four thousand six hundred Bales; If it be considered that there has been this year a change in the Government of the Province; that the Morattas in the beginning of the year were on the frontiers with a design to invade it as they are at present & the sad distracted state it had been in for some time from various Causes, it will we doubt not appear to your Honours that the Madrass & S^{t}. David Merchants have acted with great spirit & Resolution in your business and that they will be deserving of your Commendation. We hope they will continue to exert themselves this year also and that you will reap great advantages from their Asseduity & Zeal for your service.

Consns. 1745 28 Jan^{ry}. Consns. 1744 31 Dec^{r}.

38. In consequence of our Agreement with Tomby Chitty & Telesinga Chittee they have paid into your Cash the five thousand Pagodas in further part of the former's debt & we have also received of Molinga Kistna the sum of Two thousand four hundred sixty four Pagodas seven Fanams & thirty two Cash 2464. 7. 32, and the like sum of Ponapa Chittee 2464. 7. 32, towards the further discharge of their ballances: Their several Accounts come in these Packets as do also those of your other Merchants here and at the subordinates.

Consns. 1744 8 & 12 Sept^{r}.

39. We beg leave to referr your Honours to our Consultations for what has passed between Us and our people of Chindadre pettah On our calling upon them for their reasons why they had not furnished any Goods for the September dispatch they represented to Us that the sums that had been advanc'd them from time to time had all been paid into the hands of the Weavers and that they had endeavoured to recover what possibly they could from them but that there still remained, a large ballance in their hands and the death of Addeapah Narran having deprived them of the Assistance [&] support he gave them they were uncapable of carrying on the Cloth business without a further advance of money as we could not find a substantial person to take the charge of the pettah upon him to carry on that business there your Honours will be beleive think we have acted right in not making any further advances without we could have obtained some better security for their performances, therefore we thought it better to let those Weavers be employed by our Town People who can have a narrower Eye over them than it is possible for Us to do: howe'r we shall not fail to give all the support we can to it as in case of troubles in the Country these Weavers might be of great service: The Managers have promised to lessen their debt yearly which we shall take care to see they do as far as is in our power: We recommended to them to dispose of their Turned out Cloth, all which was unfit for the Europe Market except Ninety Pieces of Dimitees which we now send you thinking them worth the money they are invoiced at, accordingly they have made sales of part, and with that & some other moneys collected they have paid in fifteen hundred 1500, Pagodas in further discharge of their debt.

Consns. 1744, 31 Dec^{r}.

Consns. 1744 12 Sept^{r}.

40. As to the first advance of three thousand Pagodas for the building houses, shops &c^{t}. for the Weavers in the Pettah, as we are satisfied of their being a full security & that your Honours are liable to no loss in that Article we flatter ourselves you will not be displeased that we have not required immediate payment of that sum of the surviving manager or that we have Indulged him in his request for a longer time.

L^{rs}. Recd. 1744 No. 89, 96.

41. There were fifteen Bales of Chay or Colour'd Goods lying ready at Metchlepatam to be sent hither September last which the New Phousdar has on one

pretence or other detained though at the same time he has wrote our President that he has permitted them to be shipped whenever Mr. Hallyburton sent a Vessel for them; this obliged the President last month to send one Coja Merzaan Armenian, who generally resides at that place & is acquainted with the Phousdar, to expostulate the matter with him & demand his reasons for such a behaviour, who in a Letter to the President some days past mentions that the Phousdar had given permission for their being shipped off in confidence of which Mr. Hallyburton has sent us an Invoice of them as shipped on board the sloop Experience but we doubt their being here in time to send them on these ships.

Consns. 1745 12 Janry.

Lrs. Reed 1745 No. 26, 29.

42. The difficulty we have found this year to get our Cloth cured from the small number of hands we have in our Washing Town has led us to give those people a small advance in their pay not only to encourage these we have got but in hopes of engaging more of those necessary peop[le] to the service and as they are likely to have their hands full with the Cloth out of these parts we have Recommended to the Gentlemen to the Northward if possible to get their Cloths cured there, otherwise the Brown Cloth they send up in January can be of no service towards the dispatch of the shipping for England at that season.

Consns. 1744 8 / 12 Septr.

Lrs. sent 1744 No. 160, 161, 162.

43. As we may possibly be obliged [to make] use of Country Boats to bring up the Cloths from the Northern Settlements in the course of the War we have ordered that the Cloths be marked only with Gentue Characters, Your Honours will observe have been very fortunate in getting near Eight hundred Bales safe from those Settlements since the advice of it.

44. Having placed Tappey Peons from hence to Ganjam for the more speedy communicating advices between Us & Bengal, as we are informed the Gentlemen in the Bay have from Balasore to Ganjam and there being frequent disputes between the Moor and Gentue Governments there abouts we thought it proper to send one of your servants to Reside there that on any Occasion of the peons being detained he might, by proper Application get the Letters forwarded which otherwise might be delayed on the way: and as we were informed that near the Town of Ganjam there is a very large City called Brampore where a great number of Weavers wanted employ upon some particular Accident happening to the Trade of that place we directed Mr. John Andrews, whom we made choice of to send to Ganjam for the purpose abovementioned, to enquire into the Circumstances of the place who advises Us that he had been at Brampore & found there were one thousand houses of Weavers each computed to contain five effective persons and that in the Neighbouring Towns there were five thousand Weavers more, who seemed well disposed to undertake the Company's business and that he had obtained from the Nabob & heads of the Government the necessary Phirmaunds & Dustocks for liberty of carrying it on; we therefore wrote to the Chief & Council of Vizagapatam to supply him with ten thousand Rupees which we have replaced, sending thither also ten thousand Rupees more to lye ready for him and if we find there is any likelihood of his investing a large sum we shall not fail to send him further Remittances. The Only sorts we propose to have from thence are the Ordinary Long Cloths & Salampores which Your Honours seems to be most desirous of.

Consns. 1744 8, Septr. Lrs. sent 1744 No. 113, 114, 115, 122, Lrs. Reed 1744 No. 107, 108, 115. Lrs. Reed 1745 No. 9, Consns. 1744 5. Octr. Lrs. sent 1744 No. 141. Lrs. Reed 1745 No. 4, Consns. 1745 9. Janry. Lrs. sent 1745 No. 6, 7. Lrs. Reed 1745 No. 37, Lrs. sent 1745 No. 24, 25, Consns. 1745 4th. Febry. Lrs. from England dated 1743.

45. The Gentlemen at St. David's acquainted Us that their Merchants had brought in a parcel of Cloth of the same fabrick with the Chemanaickpollam but of a better sort which proposed to Invoice under the name of Sheally the village where it was made, but as Your Honours in another Instance did not approve of multiplying Names of the same species of Goods we directed them to mark it as the Chemanaickpollam with the addition of an **S** and they will appear to your Honours by these ships so distinguished.

Lrs. Reed 1744 No. 118, Consns. 1744 13 / 19 Novr. Lrs. sent 1744 No. 154.

46. Your Honours will observe that before the receipt of your Commands by the Godolphin we had allowed the Merchants at St. David's to be indulged in taking in some parcels of Cloth at an Abatement in the price as we shall continue to do, but in this your Interest will oblige Us to great caution since if the Weavers find an inferiour sortment will pass our hands they will supply us with little or none else; It is with great difficulty we have been able to bring the Cloth up to its present goodness; in a

21st. March Lrs. Reed 1744. No. 49, 74, par. 43, 44 Lrs. sent 1744 No. 58, 92,

large Quantity there always will be some pieces inferiour to the Numbers we sort to and it is generally our practice to return some small Quantitys of such as are found so into the Weaving Towns in order to shew those people our dislike of it as well as to incite them to make better.

par. 47. Lrs. from England dated 1743 21 March par 52.

47. We doubt not but the Gentlemen who have been at S^{t}. Davids since the time your Honours referr to will have acted more to your approbation ; those parts as you observe are certainly best situated for enlarging your Investment and that our Merchants may not interfere with the business of that settlement and raise the prices we have for some years past confin'd them to this district only.

48. On receiving notice of the pilferage of several pieces in the Bales sent on board the Europe ships we immediately ordered some of our Gunroom Crew to go in every Boat we are to ask you pardon for omitting to mention this before and as we have heard of no Complaints since we hope the method we have fallen into will prevent them in future.

Lr$_{s}$. Recd 1744 N^{o}. 87, par 53.

49. We have received some Baftaes from the Bay which agreable to your orders shall be painted and we shall whiten all the Sanoes.

50. Some of the Chints now sent you have been painted at Sadrass and are the best performed of any we have sent yet as indeed is all the Chints of this year's workmanship.

Lrs. Recd 1744 N^{o}. 71, 74, Lr^{s}. sent 1744 N. 92,

Cons^{ns}. 1744 28, Jan^{ry}.

Lr^{s}. from England dated 1743.

51. The former set of Merchants at Fort S^{t}. David promised last year to pay in their ballance if the Board would consent to allow them one year on which we came to a resolution to grant them the indulgence of paying in the half in six months and the remainder at the end of the year : On the Deputy Governour & Councils demanding the first payment they urged that they had not settled Accounts with their Partners, some of whom were at Madrass and therefore that they could not pay in the money at that time on which they had permission to come up hither to adjust them which at length are done, They have now represented to Us by petition the great Losses they have sustained by their seven years business in which they had invested upwards of seven hundred thousand Pagodas leaving a ballance at the end of the year 1743 of only Eight thousand Eight hundred twenty three Pagodas thirteen fanams & seventy seven Cash 8823. 13. 77 which in Consideration of the Losses they have met with they pray to be releived from the payment of, this we acquainted them was no ways in our power to do and that they had promised last year they would faithfully pay the same to which they replied They were not sensible till their Accounts were made up what there Losses might amount to and as they now find them swell so high the Payment of such a sum would distress them in the greatest degree and therefore they hoped we would at least recommend them to your Honours favour this we think ourselves bound in Justice to do as we are sensible they have suffered considerably in the business, but at the same time we acquainted them That we must insist than they gave security to abide by what Orders you shall please to give in this respect.

Fourthly of the Trade of India in General and therein any Transactions with the Country Government.

1st. March r. 56.

52. In our former advices of this year we gave your Honours a Relation of the Change of Affair's at Arcot with respect to the late Nabob Subdar Ally Cawn's family and of the appointment of Anawerdee Cawn to the Subaship of this Province with the several steps we had taken to obtain his favour & Good will towards Us thereby to preserve the Grants of the Mint & Villages and that all other aff[airs] of yours might be carried on without Interruption, in which we have hitherto happily succeeded without being at any other Expence than the usual present to a Nabob on his Accession and it happening at the same time your new President took the chair we made one Expence serve for both.

53. It is a very agreable satisfaction to us to find our late President's Management with Respect to the Country Government so highly approved of by your Honours and we shall do our endeavours as far as our Capacities will permit to

conduct your Affairs in the same happy manner. The English are no doubt obliged to that Gentleman for the Esteem they are held in by the Moors in preference to all other Europeans on this Coast and this we hope to preserve.

54. On the report of the Morattas marching to this Province our Nabob set out from Arcot the beginning of December in order to join the Subahs of Corrapah & Cundanore to oppose their designs ; Nizam Al Mulk has also sent them a party of ten thousand Horse to assist them, but if we are informed right the Force of the Morattas is much superiour ; though both Armies are near each other yet there has been no Action. The Nabob is willing to give them a sum of Money but they insist upon the delivery of Tritchanopoly which the other does not chuse to comply with, this is all the account yet come to our knowledge ; If a Battle ensues and they should happen to worst the Nabob the Province will in all probability suffer greatly from their Incursions as well as from the Polygars who will on such occasions immediately fall to plunder but we greatly hope this will not be the Case & that some means will be found to accommodate matters with them & prevent such fatal Effects, as the Country cannot support Another Invasion after having suffered so greatly for some years past. Cons^ns. 1744 10, Dec^r.

55. We are concerned to acquaint you that Kisnajee Puntaloo the Braminy who has of late shewn so good a disposition to serve Us died a few days ago, The Abilities of this person had very much recommended him to the Nabob who had employed him in his Negotiations with the Morattas, but his Age rendered the fatigue of the Journey too much for him ; If any of his sons or Family should come hither we shall not be unmindfull of shewing them some mark of Favour for the old Gentlemans good services. L^rs. from England dated 1743 21^st. March par. 57,

56. The late Nabob's mother & several of that family as well as some others who were in the Management of Affairs under Subderally Cawn have not yet chose to leave Us which has obliged Us though much against our Inclinations to continue the Expence of their House rent & some other necessaries and we apprehend it will take up some further time before that can entirely be put an End to, In the packet is [the] Account of that charge for the last year & we have the pleasure to remark to your Honours it's being decreased more than half of the former, as we assure you we shall not miss any Opportunity of reducing it still lower consistent with decency & your Interest. par 56.

57. We have endeavoured to procure the best [ ] Information we could relating to the ship Jaggernaut Persa[nd] in order to be satisfied who were her real Owners whether English or Natives of this Country. In the course of our Enquiry it appears that the ship belonged to Gopanaut one of your Merchants at Balasore but that Mess^rs. Davis & Cotesworth had respondentia on her on advice of her being wrecke(d) [...] on M^r. Pitts' representing to him that the vessel belong[ed to] the English M^r. Stratton who was then Chief of Vizagapatam obtain'd the Nabob's Firmaunds for taking into his posses[sion] what might be driven ashore belonging to the ship but so[on] after by a false step M^r. Pitt made in promising th[e Rajah] for his Assistance one third of what was saved|the Nabob & his people about him finding themselves disappointed of the advantage which the Rajah had obtained by this means became very much exasperated, in so much as to send for M^r Pitt to his Fort where by ill treatment & confining his person he extorted from him the sum of seventeen hundred 1700 Madrass Pagodas of your money, what has been saved will not amount to near that sum which however we have ordered to be secured till we know your pleasure. As the ship was represented to M^r. Stratton to belong to the English it does not seem that his conduct was any ways unproper on the occasion in getting the Nabob's Phirmaunds and he left Vizagapatam before any doubt arose on the property of the ship M^r. Pitt's application to the Rajah seems to have drawn on him the Resentment of the Nabob and must be thought a very imprudent step especially as it appeared to him afterwards that the ship did not belong to the English so that all the trouble & pains he was taking unfortunately proved a Means to embroil your Affairs as well as the Loss of this money. M^r. Pitt is since dead & the Nabob who extorted the money removed, & how far an English Respondentia Concern on such a Bottom may be looked upon to give a Title to the salvage upon any Application of ours for Redress is difficult for us to say. We shall be glad of Marginal References to the Fort Letter ☞ Duke &. Montfort Para 30 D^o. ☞ Prince of Wales Par. 55, Cons^ns. 1744 31^st. Decem^r. Cons^ns. 1745 9 January

your Honours particular Commands hereupon by which we may be guided in Cases of a like nature in future.

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58. By the Augusta that arrived here from Bengal the 16th. ultº. our President received a Letter from Mr. Schonamille, Chief for the Ostend affairs there, acquainting him That he had sent his Lady on that ship in order to reside here incognito ; but as this Gentleman is at open War with the Moors & has taken several ships belonging to the Merchants at Metchlepatam we could by no means think it prudent to give her a Reception here as it would be impossible to conceal her and though the Moors are scarce ever known to take any Notice of women yet we think it best not to give them the least occasion for any differences with Us on such an Account since they are very ready to lay hold on any pretence whenever their Inclinations lead them to dispute with Us, wherefore we with all the civility due to her sex requested of the Lady to retire from the English Government, which she accordingly did.

59. The same Gentleman you will find in his Letter has mentioned his design of going to Pegue with three hundred Europeans where he should use his endeavour to settle that place in such a manner that no Europeans should be admitted without the Approbation of the English, On with what views this piece of Complaisance is designed we are strangers to except he proposes thereby to have the advantage of this port for his shipping and other occasions if such are his motives he will find himself disappointed for our duty to you as well as regard to the Interest of the English in General will not permit Us to be any ways Assistant to the scheme we understand he has formed of makg. War on the Moors in the Indian seas, which might draw on this and your other settlements the resentment of the Moors & serve to embroil your Affairs. We fear such a set of people will soon be guilty of great Outrages and wish they may not make free with other people's properties [but] We shall not pretend to judge of the Merits of Mr. Schona[mille's] cause but there is great reason to apprehend his associates will soon become a set of lawless people ; as they are a mixture of all Nations and of the most abandoned and desperate of them, from such every thing bad is to be expected.

Lrs. from England dated 1743 21st. March par 59.

60. We are glad to find our Conduct in examining Capt. Petre about the French Manilha ship which he brought in hither receives your Honours Approbation but concluding from the Paragraph before Us on that subject that bad consequences would have ensued if he had not surrendered up her & the cargo of his own Act. We are still extreamly at a loss to judge how far this Board may interfere on a like occasion happening in future, where the Captains of your ships, shall maintain their pretensions to such Coptures : We therefore earnestly desire your Honours will furnish Us with proper Instructions.

par 61

61. We beg leave to make our Acknowledgements to your Honours for your kind Regard to Us with respect to the Trade we carry on to Persia by which we may hope to vye with the French & other Nations who have hitherto done their business there on more advantageous terms we have never failed to pay the Customs establish'd by your Honours & shall give positive directions to the people we send thither to conform to your Rules, That your Affairs may not be embroiled with the Persian Government which we shall be glad to find the Gentlemen there do not soon make a pretence for sending complaints to your Honours how undeservedly soever in order to have this Indulgence taken away.

Consns. 1745 16 Janry.

62. In the Packet is a Letter in its Translate from Mr. Dupleix Governour of Pondicherry to the Phousdar at St. Thoma which was sent our President by the latter to peruse and who has also given him a copy of his Answer : Mr. Dupleix has likewise wrote to the Officer at Covelong as well as to most of the head Moormen at Arcot much in the same terms with no other design we suppose than to make us as odious as he can to them for having commenced hostilitities in the Indies which he would have them believe will turn to the detriment & Interruption of the Mogul's subjects and he has lately inform made a pretended sale of his ship the Neptune with five hundred Bales of Calicoes to a Moorman : The ship is accordingly gone to Mocha with the Nabob's Pass & Colours and by this he thinks to involve us in disputes with the Government if our Men of War should meet with her in the Passage to or from thence.

Lrs. from England dated 1743

FIFTHLY OF FORTIFICATIONS BUILDINGS, REPAIRS AND REVENUES.

63. As Major Knipe is dead we shall take the advice of M^r^. Smith whom we beleive to be equally able to assist us in the post of an Engineer and as it will require some time for Us to get Materials & a proper Knowledge of the fitness of the Ground as well as the Expence it will put you to to fortify the westside of the White Town in the extensive manner proposed by M^r^. Knipe and then to consider whether it may not be done in a narrower Compass equally secure & a[t] less charge the Major having not made we beleive a sufficient trial of the Ground nor any Estimate of the Cost we therefore chuse to avoid proceeding too precipitately in an Affair of this Consequence as well as to prevent any Censure falling on Us in entering on a Work where the charge might exceed either your Honours or our Expectations: In Septem^r^. we hope to be able to give you a more perfect account of this matter & what plan it may be most proper to go upon. 21st. March par 62 63

64. Our Garrison is too thin of Europeans and there is little dependence to be had on the Topasses either for the defence of it or in Action in the Field and Fort S^t^. David & Vizagapatam also require reinforcements if therefore a large Recruit is to be had they will be very acceptable. L^rs^. from England dated 1743 21st. March par 64

65. The Resident at Ingeram has desired liberty to add some apartments for the servants who are Assistants there we shall write to him to know the Charge & shall give directions that are proper on the Occasion. L^rs^. Recd 1745 par 65. No. 22,

66. When any of our Cowles expire your Honours Orders to put them up at Outcry shall be complied with. par. 68

67. We directed M^r^. Smith on his Arrival from Bombay to take a general survey of the Fortifications & Magazines when he reported to Us that the large Magazine, where used to be kept our store of Powder in Town, was cracked in several places & not of sufficient strength for such a purpose upon which we judged it highly necessary to set about erecting a New One the cost of which you will observe is computed at four thousand one hundred 4100 Pagodas & which we hope to finish this year, the foundation being brought up to the surface before our last rains set in. Cons^ns^ : 1744 12 / 17 Sept^r^.

68. We have also made some alterations in the Island powder howse to make it capable of working four stamps instead of two, as the demands of powder from the subordinate Factories have been very considerable since the News of the War, and the having a large Quantity in store so absolutely necessary; The charge of this amounted to some what upwards of five hundred Pagodas. Cons^ns^ : 1744 10^th^ Dec^r^. Cons^ns^ : 1745 9 Jan^ry^.

69. The Gentlemen at Vizagapatam represent^g^. the want of a Battery by the sea side & some other additional works we have sent a proper person to take a draught of their Fortifications in order to have M^r^. Smith's advice that your Hon^rs^. may not be put to any other Expence than what is absolutely necessary and that what is to be erected there may be regular & of service. L^rs^. Recd 1744 No. 115, 133, 135, Cons^ns^ : 1744 7. Nov^r^. Do. 1745 12. Jan^ry^. L^rs^. sent 1744 No. 160, Do. 1745 No. 9,

70. At S^t^. David's we have permitted them to repair the Cuddalore house & to make the sorting place more convenient. L^rs^. Recd 1744 No. 8. Do. . . . 1745 No. 16, 32, L^rs^. sent 1744 No. 154 Do. . . . 1745 No. 11,

71. We beg leave to referr your Honours to our Accountant's Report for the state of the Expences and Revenues wherein you will find an Encrease of the former & a decrease in the other with their reasons assigned; the Dificiency in the sea Customs is entirely in the Article of Grain there being two thousand Garce less imported than the year before, owing to the troubles in the Country to the Northward & the scarcity in Bengal. The Imports from the land have supp[lied] us greatly or otherwise we must have been under very unhappy Circumstances and we cannot but dread the consequences that must ensue on on a less favourable season than we have had for these two years past as we can have little Expectation [of] supplies either from Bengal or Pegue.

72. The Loss of our Manilha Trade as well as Pegue and several other branches which heretofore employ'd our shipping is also the Cause of the decrease in our Land Customs: There were two ships sent to the former port in 1743 but they not returning our Merchants did not care to venture out any this year & during the War we must not expect our open port will have such [a resort] of shipping as at other times.

Consns : 1745 28 Janry.

73. There is a considerable increase in the Customs of the Town Mint this year but a small decrease in that of the Pettah which is explained in our Consultation(s), Though we have been under great difficulties in carrying on the business of our Mints for want of the Aqua Fortis lost on the Winchester. The Governour of Negapatam at our President's request supplied us with a small Quantity we are in hopes to receive some by the Wager and request Your Honours will please to order what you send Us in future to be devided on different ships whereby we may be less liable to be disappointed of our supplies:

74. The Shroffs belonging to the Country Mints have been endeavouring to prevail on the Nabob to coin Pagodas expecting by his Authority to have them passed in the Province he accordingly gave them liberty and they coined in several mints about five thousand Pagodas of the same Touch with ours, but notwithstanding all their Endeavours they could not obtain currency in the province so that we have the pleasure to acquaint Your Honours that none but those coined in your Mint are in any Esteem at present.

75. The person employed by Kistnajee Puntaloo to collect the Revenues of the four new villages has not accounted either with him or us as yet for the year 1743, We expect after the Corn is gathered which will be in a short time to receive the produce of 1744. The Grant was for five villages but one of them namely Puddapauck was refused to be then delivered by the Killedar of Punamallee unless another village of equal value was given him in it's [stead] which not being done we shall only receive the rents of four.

Lrs. from England dated 1743.

Sixthly, of Factors, Writers, Offic(ers) and their Accounts.

Consns : 1744 24 Septr.

76. Having a considerable number of the Military in our hospital this year and the servants allowed to the Commissioned officers reducing besides the number of Mounting Men we agreed to allow the Lieutenants in lieu of all servants and other advantages five 5 Pagodas each ℔ Month & to advance the pay of the Ensign to thirteen 13 Pagodas a month but this only to be continued to them so long as we think proper.

Lrs. Recd 1744 No. 111 Consns : 1744 17 October Lrs. Sent 1744 No. 144,

77. The President & Council of Bombay having acquainted Us that your Honours had been pleased to confine Mr. Smith's Allowances to him of One hundred & forty, 140 [Rupees .] ℔ Mensem we have accordingly allowed him the same from [the] time of his arrival here; He continues to act in the Gunner's [Employ] and we believe will be very serviceable to Us being a very sober [&] deligent person.

Consns : 1744 17 / 24 } Octor. Lrs. Sent 1744 No. 149

78. On our sending Mr. Andrews to [Ganjam] we appointed Mr. Banks to Madapollam to assist in the Business there.

21. March par. 71. Consns : 1745 18, Janry. Lrs. Sent 1745 No. 11, Lrs. Recd 1745 No. 24.

79. Mr. Croke whom we have directed to [be] paid the Gratuity you order desires That his most humble Thanks may be returned to your Honours for your ben[evo]lence & Generosity therein & promise he will endeavour to shew his Gratitude by a Continuance of Fidelity & Care in his Duty.

[Lrs.] from [En]gland [d]ated 1743 . . . March [p]ar 72 . . .

80. Our Accountant will endeavour to comply with your Commands in drawing out the Calculate as you are pleased to direct but as these orders arrived so late this year it has not been in our power to correspond with the Subordinate Factories so as to know how far the Merchants ballances are good or bad, but having on this occasion had recourse to the Ingeram & Madapollam Books we have observed some of the Ballances are carried through several sets in the same sums which gives us a suspicion that some of those are doubtfull which we shall direct to have explained to Us.

81. We have acquainted our Surgeons with what you are pleased to mention concerning your sending out Medecines for the use of your settlements & the orders you have given thereupon.

82. When the servants your Honours mention to have sent us arrive we shall employ them as they may be most usefull.

83. In one of these packets are the Covenants of Mr. John Andrews Writer executed who has nominated for his securities in England Messrs. Thomas & Nicolas Crispe. These are accompanied by the Covenants of Messrs. George Jones & Samuel Barlow whom Your Honours have been pleased to grant them to as Free Merchants; Those of Mr. Andrew Munro will be executed on his return from his voyage & sent you hereafter as will also those of Mr. William Percival whom your Honours have appointed a Factor which we suppose are on board the Wager. 74–75. 1743 par 76

84. Mr. Stratton has desired us to acquaint your Honours that his ill state of health obliged him to leave Vizagapatam on which the Board here had proceeded to another appointment which had occasioned him to decline offering his service to return thither on the Recovery of his health as well as that the Investment there was begun under another direction, but that he shall be ever ready to serve your Honours in any station you shall think him deserving of.

85. Mr. Samuel Harrison has desired leave to go to England for the recovery of his health which is much impaired by the severe Fit of Illness he contracted in his Journey to Tritchanopoly. As this misfortune may in a great measure be imputed to the Inconveniencies he suffered in the prosecution of your business at that time We recommend him to your favour should his health permit & his Affairs require him to apply for your future Assistance. Consns: 1745 9th. Febry.

86. On Mr. Harrison's acquainting Us with this his design we have appointed Mr. Edward Fowke (whom we purpose to call to the Board on Mr. Harrison's departure) to receive the stores from him, Mr. Starke will then succeed to Mr. Edward Fowke as Upper Searcher at the Sea Gate Mr. Joseph Fowke will be Under Searcher & Mr. Charles Savage Norris take his Employ of Sub Accomptant. Consns. 1745 9th. Febry.

87. We have granted permission of passage to England on the Durrington to Mr. Samuel Harrison & his two children, Lieutenant Southby & a son of Mr. Savage's [on] the Beaufort to Mrs. Hannah Greenhaugh, a son of Mr. Stratton's & to Captain Timothy Tullie his Wife & two children. Consns: 1745 4/9 Febry.

88. In consequence of what was wrote Your Honours in the 45 Paragraph of the Letter from hence dated the 27th. January 1742/43 there have been paid into your Cash here the sums of Thirty five Pagodas nineteen fanams & one Cash 35. 19. 1, and Two thousand Eight hundred forty four Pagodas thirty fanams & seventy cash 2844. 30. 70 the produce of some Effects of Mr. Joseph Goddard in further discharge of his debt and when the remainder of his debts are collected we beleive his ballance on the Madapollam Books will be near if not quite cleared, it being now reduced to about five hundred 500 Pagodas. Lrs. from England dated 1743. Consns · 1744 15/20 Febry. 31st. Decr.

Seventhly, Accounts.

89. The Bills we have drawn & the Certificates we have granted by these ships will appear to your Honours in our Postscript as usual. Among the former you will please to observe is a set for Captain Steward's money to which Oath has been made as you order. 21st. March par 79.

90. We desire your Honours to be referr'd to the Consultation of the 5th. December 1743 for the reasons for disposing of the contents of a Purse found in your Cash chest belonging to one Francis Ditton deceased in Pegue: The Nett produce thereof being forty two Pagodas twenty five fanams & fifty Cash 42. 25. 50 has been paid into your Cash and as we beleive there can be no demands on it in these parts it's carried to the Credit of Account Current London. Consns: 1744 15 Febry.

EIGHTHLY CONCERNING THE WESTCOAST.

Lrs. Sent 1744 No. 122. Lrs. Recd 1745 No. 9,

91. By the Lapwing we sent to the Gentlemen in Bengal a List of what the settlement there stood in most need of taken from the last account they sent Us. They have acquainted Us that they have accordingly sent some Articles thither the particulars of which they have deferred sending Us till another Opportunity.

Lrs. sent 1744 No. 128, 129, 130,

92. We dispatched the Sumatra thither the 2d. October with Salt, Rice, Gunpowder & other stores and a supply of Long Cloth.

93. The Benjamin we have already requainted your Honours of our design to send thither & we purpose she shall sail in Company with these ships for their better security till she is in her proper Latitude for leaving them.

94. The Princess Augusta as we have already said will follow her.

Consns. 1745 4 Febry. Lrs. Recd 1745, No, 12, 13

95. Your Honours will we doubt not think it highly necessary that we should keep the Westcoast fully supplied during the present disputes they are engaged in with the Gentlemen of Batavia who seem to have for'bid them the use of the Port. We may suppose the Brillant returned from Batavia before the Cæsar & Neptune were dispatched for Europe and that the Gentlemen of Marlbrough have had an answer to the Letter sent to Batavia on that vessel by which & what they have wrote you Your Honours will we presume have a better Knowledge of the state of Affairs there than we can at present give you, and we hope you will take such Measures with the Dutch Company as that the disputes may be settled in an amicable manner that your Affairs may not suffer from a partial decision which there is too much reason to suspect if it is left to their Agents till when we shall be glad to find no violences committed.

Lrs. Recd 1745 No. 13,

96. There is also another Affair which we understand Two of your servants & a Master of a sloop are in confinement for at Batavia and that there is a process to be carried on against them the Issue of which we must wait to know how far they are acceptable of the matters charged upon them and if so whether they have not been trepanned into it by the Dutch themselves, as practices of this nature are nothing new with them any more than their readiness to engage in all such collusive Trade; We have no Occasion to make our Remarks on the style of the Letters from them to your servants on the West Coast leaving that to your Honours to take notice of in such manner as you shall think proper.

Lrs. Recd 1745 No. 12,

97. Your Deputy Governour Mr. Lennox having been under a long Indisposition was obliged to take his passage on the Princess Augusta he came up from Bengal last month but continues yet in a very weak state so that it is at present uncertain whether he will be able to return to his station if he should not your Honours may depend on our Care to have your Affairs carried on in a proper Manner,

NINTHLY, RESPECTING THE CHARTER.

Consns. 1744 26 Novr.

98. There have been of late years such frequent Applications to the Mayor's Court in Suits & Actions arising on Bonds and Notes of antient dates many of which through Carelessness have been omitted to be taken up & cancelled when discharged which by that means have fallen into the hands of persons of bad dispositions whereby many Families have been greatly aggreived even to their utter ruin, it having been impossible for them at such a distance of time to prove the payments: The Gentlemen of the Court to provide a remedy for this Evil in future as in cases of this nature it is very difficult to form a true Judgement, have therefore proposed to make a By Law for limiting the time of the Commencement of Suits or Actions to ten years from and after the time the Causes of such Suits or Actions shall arise or may have arisen: This we think to be so much for the good of the Place & the case of the Inhabitants that we cannot but wish for your Honours confirmation of it.

Lrs. from England dated 1743,

21st. March par 82,

99. Your Commands by the Godolphin reaching Us so late & the Gentlemen of the Mayor's Court having just then adjourned to the 26th. of this month we hope Your Honours will excuse our not having yet done anything in consequence of what you are pleased to direct about establishing an Accountant General. After these ships sail we shall proceed thereon and advise You of the Result by the next Opportunity.

TENTHLY, OF THE FRENCH AND OTHER EUROPEAN NATIONS TRADING IN INDIA.

100. We advised Your Honours by the Prince of Wales of the arrival of four ships at Pondicher[ry] and the voyages they were designed for, soon after th[e] Charmant imported there with a further Quantity of silver & stores: The S^{t}. Jerom one of their largest ships from Europe was lost on a Sunken Rock near Mascarine with her Cargo consisting of fifty five thousand Dollars in silver & supplies for their Islands and only Eight persons saved out of two hundred: The Bourbon was dispatched for France from Pondicherry the 8th. October with five hundred & thirty 530 Bales of Cloth; seventeen hundred 1700 Bales of Coffee & twelve hundred 1200 Candies of Redwood. The Charmant in company with the Fleury sailed for the Malabar Coast the 14th. of that month carrying thither in part of her Cargo two hundred & fifty Bales of Cloth, & two hundred 200 Candies of Redwood & to be filled up with pepper at Mahie from whence she sailed the 18th. December: The Fleury accompanied her off the Coast and is since returned to Calicut.

Lrs. Recd 1744 No. 105,

101. The beginning of November we received a Letter from the Governour & Council of Pondicherry with Copies of some Agreements made between the settlements of Tellicherry & Mahie in the years 1728 & 1742 with a further proposal from M^{r}. Geekie & their chief for a free Navigation from Anjengo to Goa, as we were ignorant at that time of what scheme M^{r}. Geekie was upon with regard to your [affairs on that Coast] having weighd well the subject matter thereof two capital ships being bound thither we thought it not without our duty to our Employers to amuse the Enemy for a While, thereby to give M^{r}. Geekie time to accomplish his designs especially as we found this Affair was referred to Bombay, whose determination we were sensible would put an end to it; we therefore forwarded these papers immediately thither & accordingly Your Honours will observe in our Answer we affected a seeming readiness to accept their offer when confirmed from Bombay. Thus far we thought we might venture to go for your service and as to the other parts of their Letter Your Honours will find we evaded speaking directly to any point though they much wanted to know the powers of Your Commanders. In short our whole Answer was evasive & only to amuse & so we beleive they understood it but soon after came another Letter from them said to be addressed to Us on receipt of Orders from their Company; offering Us proposals of a very extensive Nature, but having by that time been acquainted from M^{r}. Geekie with the nature of his design we judged it could be no detriment to Your Affairs to speak out & let them know we had no power to treat at all upon these matters & desired therefore to stand excused till we should be properly authorized so to do. After the Capture of the Favory we received a third Letter which seem'd only to be a piece of Form which led us to a very short but natural Reply. We suppose the ships being taken in Acheen Road might occasion that demand on which point Commodore Barnet had it only in his power to satisfie them: as yet they have commitied no hostilities on this Coast or in any part of India that we hear of; however on the Capture of the Favory we immediately advised it to Bombay, Tellicher[ry] & Anjengo & cautioned the Gentlemen at S^{t}. Davids to [be on] their Guard & have notified the same to Bengal last [. . . .] we shall continue to advise all the settlements of the Moti[ves] of the French shipping in order for the better security of the navigation in these seas.

Lrs. Recd 1744 [. . .]
[. . .] 1744
15 Novr. Lrs. Sent 1744 No. 151,
Lrs. Sent 1744 No. 152,
Lrs. Recd 1744 No. 121, Consns. 17 & 26 Novr.
Lrs. Sent 1744 No. 156
Lrs. Recd 1745 No. 3, Consns. 1745 1st. 4th. } Janry.
Lrs. Sent 1745 No. 3,
Lrs. Sent 1745, No 3.
Lrs. Rec 1745 No. 2, 4,
Lrs. Sent 1745 No. 19,

102. The Letters from Fort Marlbrough mention that the Brigantine S^{t}. Joseph belonging to the French was cut off at Benjar: The Dutch at Batavia have not been wanting to make some very severe reflections on the English on account of that accident, which we hope they will be found not to deserve and that it proceeded more from the villainy of the Benjamin than any other cause suggested.

Lrs. Recd 1745 No. 12, 13,

103. On the Morattas first Incursion into this province they drove the Dutch out of Porto Novo the chief of which place has since resided at Cuddalore, on their sending some persons to pay their Compliments to Nizam Al Mulek when at Tritchanopoly they endeavoured to obtain a Grant of him for liberty to erect a Fort at Porto Novo which he denied them; They have this year solicited our Nabob for the same with the promise of a sum of money and they give out that they have hopes to succeed in it, which we should be concerned to find as their settling there in such a manner would be of some prejudice to your settlement of S^{t}. David.

ELEVENTHLY, CONCERNING THE WAR AND HIS BRITANNICK MAJESTY'S SHIPS IN INDIA.

104. As these Incidents may probably lead Your Honours & your settlements abroad into several Transactions dependent only thereon & quite out of the Common Tract of your Mercantile Affairs we take the liberty to add this head the better to lay before Your Honours in one view what it may fall under our province to do in consequence thereof during their Continuance.

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105. Your Honours will by our Letter Books observe that on the arrival of the Swift we sent advice of the War to the several settlements.

Consns. 1744 20th. Decr.

106. The Orders from the Secret Committee directing the President to send a small vessel on an Expedition & there being none belonging to this Presidency he was under a necessity of purchasing the ship Eltham there being no other Vessel of any sort to be had at that season: This ships now in our road and we purpose to keep her here till the Vessels we wrote for to Bombay arrive when we shall dispose of her: Your Honours will we beleive think with Us That it will not be improper to have some vessel in the Road to send with advices on any particular occasions we were in expectation of having one of your sloops out of Bengal River which our President had desired might be sent to lye here till May to serve that purpose but the business there would not permit it.

Consns. 1745 1 4 28 Janry. Lrs. Sent 1745 Nos. 1, 2, 19,

107. On receipt of the Secret Committee's Lette[r] by the Medway forwarded from Acheen in which it is recommended to Us to be assisting to the Men of War who ma[y] probably call here we directed our Paymaster to lay in a stor[e] of Live provisions & have also wrote to Bombay & Bengal for wheat which Commodore Ba[rnet] has desired our President [to] have ready to make into flour. The Board also desired of [the] President to write Mr. Hinde to make some provision of [live] Catt le there also: This precaution we are obliged to make [use] of as such a number of Men cannot be supplied with [what] is usually to be procured about Us: This has also led Us [to] have ready a proper apartment for their sick as our hospit[al] is even too confined for our own people: All which we doubt not Your Honours will Approve of.

SUPPLEMENT.

Consns. 1745 16 Janry. Do. 4 Febry.

108. Captain Crabb of the Durrington having requested five hundred 500 bags of surplus saltpetre to stiffen his ship we have supplied him with his request & Agreement for the freight come in the Packet by that ship, as do also his request & first Receipt for two hundred 200 Pagodas we have advanc'd him to buy provisions for his ship on the Clause in Charterparty relative thereto.

Consns. 1745 4 Febry.

109. The Surgeon of the Benjamin has been paid the usual headmoney on the soldiers landed here from that ship as by his receipts now sent.

110. Having only made our Indent in Septemr. for four hundred & fifty 450 Bales of the three sorts of Broad Cloth we have ventured to make an additional one for One hundred & fifty 150 more which we are in hopes will meet with a sale.

111. These ships have taken in here sixteen hundred forty three 1643 Bales & there will be remaining at the Wash & in our Godowns here and at St. David's eight hundred 800 more after their dispatch.

112. The Accounts of the Merchants now sent you from hence being taken from the Current Books & agreeing with them we think it more properly belongs to the Accomptant than Warehousekeeper to sign them & therefore they come to you in that manner.

113. The Durringtons Madrass Invoice, including thirty Bales of Bengal Goods, amounts to One hundred thirty eight thousand three hundred & fourteen Pagodas, twenty Fanams, and two Cash 138314. 20. 2. The Beaufort's to One hundred thirty thousand Eight hundred ninety six Pagodas, nine fanams, and seventy five cash 130896. 9. 75, The Commanders of these ships tell us they took in their St. Helena Tonnage in Bengal.

Consns. 1745 14 Febry.

114. Captain Crabb's Manifest of his homeward bound Adventure in Bengal Amounts to Arcot R^{s}. 797.

He has added to it here	Pagodas	908	— —
Cap^{t}. Steven's Bengal Manifest amounts to Curr^{t}. Rupees		7390	— —
to which he has added here	Pagodas	2495	— —

115. The Register of Diamonds & Precious Stones licenced on the Durrington amounts to Eighty seven thousand One hundred nineteen Pagodas twenty eight Fanams & sixty two Cash 87119. 28. 62. That by the Beaufort to Eighty four thousand six hundred seventy Eight Pagodas twenty seven Fanams and seventy nine Cash 84678. 27 79

116. Your Honours have remaining on Cash here this day thirty seven thousand three hundred fifty three Current Pagodas Eight Fanams & seventy One Cash 37373. 8. 71 [*sic*] and fifteen hundred and fo[ur] 1504 Madrass Pagodas.

117. Just as we were about to close [this] Letter a Patamar arrived from Anjengo with the Ag[reable] advices of your ships York & Statford being safe arrived at Canton, The Pulteney from Bombay was chased by one of the Spanish ships two days during which time the York & Ceres passed the Ladrones and the two other Spanish ships having jus[t] then changed their stations they met with no opposition in getting into the river: The Statford soon after was also chased by the same ship as the Pulteney but proving a better sailor got clear: These are all the Circumstances yet come to our knowledge & we hope we may referr you to those ships for a more particular Account.

118. The same Letters mention also that the Fort S^{t}. George & Elizabeth were arrived at Anjengo from England.

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Your Faithfull humble servants

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
15TH. FEBRUARY 1744/45.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
SAMUEL HARRISON.

POSTSCRIPT.

The Bills of Exchange we now drawn on Your Honours by ships DURRINGTON & BEAUFORT payable at Ninety days sight and the Certificates we have granted are as follow.

BILLS OF EXCHANGE.

Dated 1744/45	Sets.	FOR COMPANY'S SERVANTS & at Pr. PAGODA.	s. 7.	D, 8.	Pag^{s}.	Fa.	Ca	or	£	S.	D.
24 January.	1.	To Thomas & Nicholas Crispe or order value of John Andrews for.			260	31	24		100	—	—
	1.	To John Turner or order value of Charles Floyer			260	31	24		100	—	—
		Carried over			521	26	48		200	—	—

			Pag^{s}.	Fa.	Ca.	or £.	S.	D.
		Brought over	521	26	48	200	—	—
28 Jan^{ry}.	1.	To Captain Francis Steward or order value of John Saunders.	1000	22	46	383	11	6
	1.	To Richard Benyon Esq^{r}. or order value of Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. & William Percival ...	30307	35	56	11618	1	3
	1.	To Dodding Braddyll, Richard Benyon & John Braddyll Esq^{rs}. value of Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. on account of Thomas Braddyll Esq^{r}.	6130	6	—	2349	17	[11]
	1.	To Ann Amyand or order value of Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. ...	109	16	22	41	19	2
[4]th Feb^{ry}.	Set. 1.	To Thomas Martin or order ...	267	21	41	102	11	7
	1.	To William Minett or order ...	260	31	24	100	—	—
	2 Sets	value of William Monson Esq^{r}.						
	1	To Peter Hinde Esq^{r}. or order value of Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. on account of John Hinde Esq^{r}.	208	25	3	80	—	—
	1	To Thomas Hall Esq^{r}. or order value of Tho^{s}. Saunders ...	260	31	24	100	—	—
14th. Feb^{ry}.	1	To Dodding Braddyll, Richard Benyon & John Braddyll Esq^{res}. value of Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. on account of Thomas Braddyll Esq^{r}. ...	447	3	16	171	7	8
	1	To Samuel Harrison in his absence to Rob^{t}. Harrison or order value of Samuel Harrison	1304	12	41	[500	—	—]
	1	To Cap^{t}. Richard Crabb in his absence to M^{rs}. Francis Crabb & M^{r}. Henry Crabb value of John Savage	200	—	—	76	13	4
	1	To Samuel Remnant or order value of Joseph Smith ...	130	15	52	50	—	—
	14 Sets	For Company's Servants at 7. 8. s, d. Pagod^{s}.	41149	31	53	15774	2	5
dated 1744/45		For Free Merchants &c^{a}. at 7. 4. s. d. ℔ Pagoda.						
24th. Jan^{ry}.	Set. 1.	To Thomas Hall Esq^{r}. & William Wood or order value of Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. ...	1254	19	51	460	—	—
4 Feb^{ry}.	1.	To Timothy Tullie in his absence to Thomas Hall Esq^{r}. and Joseph Tullie or their order value of Timothy Tullie ...	14300	—	—	5243	6	8
14 Feb^{ry}.	1.	To John Galbraith or order value of Matthew Empson ...	52	11	6	19	3	7
	1.	To Hugh Morris or order value of Nich^{s}. Morse Esq^{r}. ...	82	1	24	30	1	7
	[4] Sets	... ...	15688	32	1	5752	11	10
		In Return for Coral &c^{a}. at 7 8 s. d. ℔ Pagoda.						
4th. Feb^{ry}.	1	To Benjamin Mendis da Costa or order value of Randall and sons Edward & Joseph Fowke	2944	12	14	1128	13	3
	14 sets	For Company's Servants at 7 8 s. d.	41149	31	53	15744	2	5
In all 19 Sets amounting to			Pag^{s}. 59783	3	68	22655	7	6

Twenty two thousand six hundred fifty five Pounds seven shillings & six pence sterling or Fifty nine thousand seven hundred Eighty three Pagodas three Fanams and sixty eight Cash, which sum we have received into your Cash here.

CERTIFICATES.

Dated 1744/45	set.				
24 Jan^{ry}.	1	For One hundred thirteen Pagodas ten fanams received here of M^{r}. Charles Savage Norris on Account of John Hardcastle Surgeon of the Prince of Wales, Cap^{t}. John Pelly, his Adventure outward bound and the produce thereof ...	[113	10	—]
14th. Feb^{ry}.	[1]	For One hundred sixty two Pagodas twelve Fanams & thirty Cash received here of Captain Thomas Stevens of the Beaufort on account of Cap^{t}. John Stevens of the Godolphin	[162	12	30]
		2 Sets amounting to ... ... Pagodas.	[275	22	30]

Two hundred seventy five Pagodas twenty two fanams & thirty Cash.

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REGISTER OF BILLS OF EXCHANGE DRAWN BY THE PRESIDENT & COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE ON THE HONOURABLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS, AT 90 DAYS SIGHT AND SEVEN SHILLINGS & EIGHT PENCE ℔ PAGODA IN RETURN FOR CORAL &C^{R}. LICENCED OUT BY THE SAID COURT OF DIRECTORS.

P^{R}. DURRINGTON & BEAUFORT.

£.	s.	D.		Pag^{s}.	F.	Ca.
1122	13	3	Payable to Benjamin Mendes Da Costa or order ... In full returns for a Chest of Coral Beads marked N°. 10, imported 1744 ℔ Prince William ... ... One set dated 4th. February 1744-5, value of Randall & Sons Edward and Joseph Fowke	2944	12	14

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE 15TH FEBRUARY 1744/5.

JOHN SAVAGE
Sec^{ry}.

REGISTER OF DIAMONDS, PRECIOUS STONES &C^{T}. LICENCED BY THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE TO BE SHIPPED ON THE DURRINGTON CAPTAIN RICHARD CRABB BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS IN RETURN FOR CORAL, AND ON OTHER ACCUNTS VIZ^{T}.

By MICHAEL GREGO[RIO], consigned to ABRAHAM JACOB FRANCO.

B [G B N°. 123]	Two chests of Garnets value £301. 9. 4 ... ... [In full returns] for three chests of Bugles B marked G B N°. 1, 2, 3 imported 1742 ℔ Lynn	786	15 [...]

By Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. consigned to Franci^{s} Salvador.

[SB] N°. 4.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £891. 14. 2 ... ... In full returns for a Case of Coral Beads marked SB N°. 4. imported 1743 ℔ Montfort. By Nicholas Morse Esq^r^. consigned to Francis Salvador.	2300	3	[...]
F. S. N°. 2.	*One Bulse of Diamonds value £609. 4. 2 ... ... In full returns for a Case of Coral Beads marked FS. N°. 2, imported 1744 ℔ York.*	1589	8	61
IS N N°. 1.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £231. 13. 1 ... ... In full returns for a Case of Coral Beads marked [N] IS N°. 1 imported 1744 ℔ Beaufort.	604	11	26
R E S N°. 2.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £558. 12. 7 ... ... In full returns for a Case of Coral Beads marked S R E N°. 2 imported 1744 ℔ Duke of Dorset.	1457	10	60
F I S N°. 2.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £383. 14. 9 ... ... In full returns for a Chest of Foreign Silver marked F I S N°. 2, imported 1744 ℔ Prince of Wales.	1101	1	70
N°. 3.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £383. 14. 9 ... ... In full returns for a Chest of Foreign silver marked F I S N°. 3, imported 1744 ℔ York. By Ditto, consigned to Nathan Salomons.	1101	1	70
N S N°. 2.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £571. 19. 5 ... ... In full returns for a chest of Foreign Silver marked N S N°. 2 imported 1744, ℔ Winchester. By Ditto, Consigned to Jacob & Abraham Femandes Nunes.	1492	3	40
A B C N°. 1.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £409. 10. 11 ... ... In full returns for a Case of Coral Beads marked A B C N°. 1, imported 1744 ℔ York. By Ditto, Consigned to Jacob Dias.	106	[...]	—
[M] C N°. 37.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £42. 9 8 ... ... In full returns for the remains of One Case of Coral Beads marked M C N°. 37 imported 1736 ℔ Halifax. By Nicholas Morse, Consigned to Benjamin Menes da Costa.	110	29	[...
ME N°. 4.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £209. 13. 11 ... ... In full returns for One case of Coral Beads marked ME N°. 4, imported 1744 ℔ Winchester. By Nicholas Morse Esq^r^. & Randall Fowke and Sons, consigned to James Porten.	547	1	37
G R N°. 1. Of which	One Bulse of Diamonds value ... ... £269. 13. 8, Pag^s^. 703. 18. 76 is in further part returns for a Chest of Branch Coral marked G R N°. 36 imported 1736 ℔ Prince William. £238. 4. . Pag^s^. 621. 14. . is in full returns for a Chest of Branch Coral marked G R N°. 41 imported1737, ℔ Nottingham & £ 81. 1. 10 Pag^s^. 733. 10. 25, is in further part returns for a chest of Branch Coral marked G R N°. 46, mported 1738 ℔ Godolphin. By Randall and Edward Fowke consigned to Jacob Salvador.	2058	7	21
	One Bulse of Diamonds value £787. 16. 6 ... ... In full returns for a chest of Coral Beads marked B. N°. 5 imported 1744 ℔ Winchester.	2055	7	17

	By Ditto, Consigned to Benjamin Mendes D' Costa.			
	One Bulse of Diamonds value £863. 19. 1 ... ... In full returns for a chest of Coral Beads marked ✠ N°. 6, imported 1744 ℣ Winchester.	2253	28	4
	By Ditto, Consigned to Benjamin Alverengo & Compy.			
N F N°. 1.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £188. 3. 11 ... ... In full returns for the remains for One Chest of Coral Beads Marked N E N°. 1, imported 1743 ℣ Princess Amelia.	490	34	2[4]
	By Randall and Edward Fowke, Consigned to Francis Salvador.			
S S N°. 14.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £165. 11. 4 ... ... In full returns for a Chest of Rough Coral marked S S N°. 11 imported 1736 ℣ Prince William.	431	32	78
	By Ditto, Consigned to Isaac Salvador.			
⅁ N°. 2.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £161. 10. 10 ... ... In full returns for a chest of Rough Coral marked ⅁ N°. 2, imported 1737 ℣ Nottingham.	421	14	74
℞ N°. 3.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £92. 3. 5 ... ... In full returns for a chest of Coral Beads marked ℞ N°. 3, Imported 1736 ℣ Shaftsbury.	240	16	4
	By Moses Berend Heyman Consigned to Henry Moses.			
H M N°. 5,	One Box of G[arnet]s value	932	29	—
	By Ditto, Consigned to George Arnold and Henry Isaacs.			
A I N°. 2.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £4229. 13 — ... ... In part returns for Eight chests of Foreign Silver marked A I N°. 1 @ 8 imported 1744 ℣ Prince of Wales & Prince William.	11033	31	26
	By Ditto, Consigned to Joseph Salomons.			
I S N°. 1.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £132. 13. 1 ... ... In full returns for a Chest of Coral Beads marked I S N°. 2, imported 1744 ℣ Prince of Wales.	[...	...	...]
	By Abraham & Solomon Salomons consigned to Abraham & Jacob Franco.			
... A I F N°. 49, 50, 51. 55.	Four Bulse of Diamonds value ... ... of which ...	20550	10	30
	£4374. 16. —Pags. 11412. 18. 74, is in full returns for four Chests of Foreign Silver marked ℗ N°. 404 @ 107, imported 1744 ℣ Prince of Wales and Prince William.			
	£1022. 7. 5 Pags. 2667. 1. 71, is in full returns for F a Chest of Coral Beads marked A I N°. 1, imported 1741 ℣ Scarborough.			
	£595. 12. 4 Pags. 1553. 23. 27, is in full returns for F a Chest of Coral Beads marked I M N°. 17, imported 1743 ℣ Montfort.			
	£477. 8. 2, Pags. 1245. 15. 1, is in full returns for a ... ... F chest of Coral Beads marked I D No. 21, imported 1743 ℣ Princess Amelia.			
	£1086. 8. 8, Pags. 2834 6. 35, is in full returns for a Chest of Foreign Silver marked ℗ N°. 1, imported 1744 ℣ Prince of Wales.			
	£320. 19. 6, Pags. 837. 11. 62, is in further part ... F returns for a Chest of Coral Beads marked M I N°. 3, imported 1744 ℣ York.			
	By Abraham & Solomon Salomans Consigned to Phineas Serra.			

[P] S N°. 13.	One Bulse of Diamonds value ... ... of which £498. 13. — Pag^{s}. 1300. 30. 1, is in full returns for a chest of Coral Beads marked MP N°. 4, imported 1743 ℔' Duke. [...] 47. 16. 1, Pag^{s}. 385. 20. 70, is in full returns for the remains of a chest of Coral Beads marked MP N°. 5, imported 1743 ℔' Princess Amelia.	1686	14	71
[...] 14.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £815. 4. 7 ... ... In full returns for a chest of Foreign silver marked P S N°. 1, imported 1744 ℔' Prince of Wales.	2126	24	49
	By Abraham & Solomon Salomons Consigned to Judah Supino and Son.			
B S N°. 34 N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds value £241. 9. 4 ... ... In full returns for the remains of a chest of Coral Beads marked B S N°. 34, imported 1741 ℔' Kent.	629	33	3
	By Ditto, Consigned to Benjamin Mendez Da Costa.			
⊠ N°. 1.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £411. 5. 5 ... ... In part returns for a Chest of Coral Beads marked ⊠ N°. 1, imported 1743 ℔' Princes Amelia.	1072	31	40
	By Ditto, Consigned to Harman Hendricks.			
H H N°. 1.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £407. 8. 6 ... ... In full returns for a Chest of Foreign Silver marked H H N°. 1, imported 1744 ℔' Winchester.	1062	30	57
F A I F ⊕ A I F N°. 58 & 59.	By Ditto, Consigned to Abraham and Jacob Franco. Two Bulses of Diamonds value ... ... of which £946 19. 1^{l}, Pag^{s} 2470. 15. 25 is in part returns for a Chest of Coral Beads marked ⊕ N°. 103 imported 1744 ℔' Duke of Dorset. £1306. 11. 8, Pag^{s}. 3408. 17. 19 is in full returns for a chest of Coral Beads marked ⊕ N°. 108 imported 1744 ℔' Duke of Dorset.	5878	[—	—]
	By Ditto, Consigned to Richard Benyon Esq^{r}.			
⊕ N°. 1. R B	One Bulse of Diamonds value	5	[...	...]
	By Randall Fowke and Sons Edward & Joseph consigned to Jacob Salvador.			
I S N°. 2.	One Bulse of Diamond value ... ... of which £134. 13. 1, is in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads marked E N°. 9 imported 1744 ℔' Duke of Dorset £274. 11. 1, Pag^{s}. 716. 8. — is in full returns for a chest of Foreign Silver marked F. N°. 7, imported 1744, ℔' Prince of Wales. £660 2. 7, Pag^{s}. 1722. 2. 75, is in full returns for S G a chest of Foreign silver marked A N°. 4, imported 1744 ℔' Prince William.	2789	20	7[...]
	By Randall Fowke and Sons Edward & Josep, consigned to Jacob Salvador			
R E N°. 2, S	One Bulse of Diamonds value £207. 6. 8 ... ... In part returns for a Box of Coral Beads marked R E N°. 1, imported 1744 ℣ Duke of Dorset. S	540	31	20
	By Ditto consigned to Benjamin Mendes Da Costa.			
BMDC N°. 1,	One Bulse of Diamonds value £1167. 15. 2 ... of which. £141. 11. 3 Pag^{s}. 369. 10. 54, is in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads marked F B N°. [3] imported 1744 ℣ Beaufort.	3046	11	48

£740. 2. 10, Pags. 1930. 29. 2. is in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads marked BR N°. 4, imported 1744 ℔ Duke of Dorset.
£286. 1. — Pags. 746. 7. 72, is in part returns for a Box of Coral Beads marked ⊛ N°, 7. imported 1744 ℔ Prince William.

By Ditto, Consigned to David Da Castro.

	One Bulse of Diamonds value £178. 9. 4	465	20	29
	In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads marked MDC N°. 1, imported 1744, ℔ Prince of Wales.			

By Ditto, Consigned to Natal Levi Sonsino.

B NL N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds value £213. 11. 4	557	4	77
	In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads marked B NL N°. 1, imported 1744 ℔ York.			

By Edward Fowke Consigned to Thomas Waters.

TW N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds value	675	7	14
⊕ N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds value	1545	12	55

By William Percival consigned to Richard Benyon Esq^r. and Richard Wiat.

WP N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds value	966	31	40

By Ditto, Consigned to Richard Wiat & James Whitchurch Jun^r.

WW N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds value	717	19	10
P N°. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds value	828	17	5

By Ditto Consigned to Richard Wiat.

RW N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds value	353	—	—

By Nicholas Morse Esq^r. Consigned to John Goddard.

I G N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds value	1250	—	—

By George Jones Consigned to John Goddard and Henry Moses.

G L N°. 6	One Bulse of Diamonds value	1250	—	—

By Nicholas Morse Esq^r. & Randall Fowke and Sons consigned to Francis Salvadore.

S F N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds value £652. 17. 6	170	[—]	—
	In part returns for a chest of Coral Beads marked SF N°. 2, imported 1744 ℔ Winchester.			
	Pagodas ...	87	[—]	—

Fort S^t. George
15^th. February 1744/45.

John Savage
Sec^ry.

Register of Diamonds, Precious Stones &c^t. licenced by the President and Council of Fort S^t. George to be shipped on the Beaufort Captain Thomas Stevens by the following Persons in return for Coral and on other accounts Viz^t.

By Michael Gregorio consigned to Abraham & Jacob Franco.

D N°. [42]	Two chests of Garnets, value P^s. 535. 27. —. ...	669	20	20
S G S N°. 1	One Box of small Rubies 133. 29. 20 ...			
	of which ℔ 61. 19. 1, Pags. 161. 22. 40 is in full returns for the remains of a Box of Emeralds marked S G S N°. 1 imported 1740, ℔ Wilmington.			
	£40. 14. 9 Pags. 132. 13. — is in full returns for the remains of Three chests of Bugles marked S G S N°. [1, 2, 3] imported 1742 ℔ Lynn and			
	£143. 19. 5 Pags. 375. 20. 60, is in part returns for seven casks & one chest of Bugles marked [S GS N°. 7@ 8] imported 1744 ℔ Winchester.			

	By Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. consigned to Francis Salvador.			
[...]	One Bulse of Diamonds value £674. 4. 10	1758	32	[4]
	In full returns for one case of Coral Beads marked S B N°. 2 imported 1744 ℔ Prince William.			
	One Bulse of Diamonds value £392. 3. 5	1023	2	2
	In full returns for once case of Coral Beads marked [...] N°. 1 imported 1744 ℔ Beaufort.			
	One Bulse of Diamonds value £615. 3. 10	1604	30	46
	In full returns for One Case of Coral Beads marked S. N°. 1, imported 1744 ℔ Prince of Wales.			
F I N°. 1 S	One Bulse of Diamonds value £838. 8. 6	2187	6	76
	In full returns for One chest of Foreign Silver marked F I N°. 1 imported 1744 ℔ Prince of Wales. S			
	By Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. Consigned to Nathan Salomons.			
NS N°. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds value £818. 12. 5	2135	...	[...]
	In full returns for One chest of Foreign Silver marked NS N°. 3 imported 1744 ℔ York.			
	By Ditto, Consigned to Jacob and Abraham Fernandes Nunes.			
NF N°. 6	One Bulse of Diamonds value £891. 11. 4	2325	29	51
	In full returns for One Chest of Coral Beads marked NF N°. 6, imported 1744 ℔ York.			
	By Ditto, Consigned to Jacob Dias.			
⊠ N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds value £267. 1. 7		...	
	In full returns for the remains of One Case of Coral Beads marked ⊠ N°. 2, imported 1737 ℔ Nottingham.			
	By Ditto Consigned to Benjamin Mendes D^{a} Costa.			
ME N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds value £281. 6. 11	733	...	[...]
	In full returns for One Chest of Foreign Silver marked ME N°. 1 imported 1744 ℔ Prince William.			
	By Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. & Randall Fowke & Sons consigned to [Francis] Salvador.			
SL N°. 16 R	One Bulse of Diamonds value £17. 10	3362	11	[...]
	In full returns for a Chest of Coral Beads marked SL R			
	N°. 16 imported 1743 ℔ Montfort.			
SF N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds value £652, [17] 6	17	[...]	...
	In part returns for a Chest of Coral Beads marked SF N°. 2, imported 1744 ℔ Winchester.			
	By Ditto, Consigned to James Porten.			
GR N°. 59	One Bulse of Diamonds value £350. 10. 5	35	[...]	...
	In full returns for a Case of Coral Beads marked GR N°. 59 imported 1744 ℔ Winchester.			
	By Moses Berend Heymann, consigned to George Arnold and Henry Isaacs.			
A I N°. 3.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £4583. 10. 2.	11956	35	27
	In full returns for the remains of Eight Chests of Foreign Silver marked A I N°. 1 @ 8 imported 1744 ℔ Prince of Wales & Prince William.			
	By Abraham & Solomon Salomons Consigned to Abraham and Jacob Franco.			
⊛ A I F N°. 52, 53, 54	Three Bulse of Diamonds value	16184	8	12
	Of which			
	£303. 13 7. Pag^{s}. 792. 7. 52, is in full returns for the remains of a Chest of Coral Beads marked ⊛ N°. 93, imported 1743 ℔ Duke.			
	£762. 9. 3, Pag^{s}. 1989. 1. 35, is in full returns for the remains of a Chest of Coral Beads marked ⊛ N°. 96, imported 1743 ℔ Princess Amelia.			

£397. 16. 1, Pag^{s}. 1037. 27. . is in full returns for the remains of a Chest of Coral Beads marked ⊛ N°. 97 imported 1743 ℔ Princess Amelia.

£1234. 13. 2, Pag^{s}. 3223 [...] 38, is in full returns of a Chest of Coral Beads marked ⊛ N°. 98 imported 1743 ℔ Montfort.

£3[80]. 3 2, Pag^{s}. 929. 4. 14, is in further part returns for a Chest of Coral Beads marked ⊛ N°. 99, imported 1743 ℔ Montfort.

£930. 4. 7, Pag^{s}. 2426, 24. 54, is in full returns for a Chest of Coral Beads marked ⊛ N°. 100, imported 1744 ℔ Winchester.

£312. 14. 8, Pag^{s}. 815. 29. 72, is in full returns for a $\overset{F}{}$ chest of Coral Beads marked A I N°. 3, imported 1741 ℔ Kent.

£292. 2. 6, Pag^{s}. 762. 2. 24, is in part returns for a $\overset{F}{}$ chest of Coral Beads marked A I N°. 4, imported 1744 ℔ York.

£153. 17. 3, Pag^{s}. 401[13]. 55, is in full returns for the remains of a chest of Coral Beads marked R A $\overset{F}{}$ N°. 5, imported 1742 ℔ Walpole.

£482. 7. 3, Pag^{s}. 1258. 12. 23, is in part returns for a Chest of Coral Beads marked IMF N°. 18, imported 1744 ℔ York.

£320. 9. 4, Pag^{s}. 836. . . is in part returns for a chest $\overset{F}{}$ of Coral Beads marked M I N°. 3, imported 1744 ℔ York.

£657. 8. . Pag^{s}. 1714. 34. 45, is in full returns for a $\overset{F}{}$ Chest of Coral Beads marked I D No. 24, imported 1744 ℔ York.

By Abraham and Solomon Salomons consigned to Phineas Serra.

P.S. N°. 15	One Bulse of Diamonds value £1141. 4. 4. ... ... In full returns for a chest of Foreign Silver marked [P.S.] N°. 2, imported 1744 ℔ Prince William.	2977	3	25

By Ditto, Consigned to Benjamin Mendes da Costa

F B 2 N°. 1.....	One Bulse of Diamonds value £ 550. 13. 6. ... ... In full returns for One chest of Coral & Amber Beads marked F B N°. 2, imported 1744 ℔ Winchester.	1436	19	64
⊛ N°. 2...	One Bulse of Diamonds value £ 378. 4. 7. ... ... In full returns for a chest of Coral Beads marked ⊛ N°. 1, imported 1743 ℔ Princess Amelia.	986	29	25

By Ditto Consigned to Nephtale Franks.

♌ N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds value £ 627. 8. . ... In full returns for a chest of Coral Beads marked ♌ N°. [—] imported 1743, ℔ Princess Amelia.	1635	26	62

By Ditto Consigned to Harman Hendriks

H H N°. 2...	One Bulse of Diamonds value £ 607. 1. 9. ... ... In full returns for a chest of Foreign Silver marked HH N°. 2, imported 1744 ℔ York.			

By Ditto, Consigned to Issac Delmonte, & in his absence to Jacob Perreira.

P N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds value £632. 14. 7. ... ... In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads marked P N°. 1, imported 1744 ℔ Prince of Wales.	1650	21	[...]

By Abraham & Solomon Salomons Consigned to Abraham & Jacob Franco:

⊛ N°. 81 N°. 1 & 2	Two chests of Rough Garnets value £40. 17. 7 P106. 23.	160	30	71
⊛ N°. 81	One small Bulse of Diamond value..20. 15. 10...54. 7. 71 In full returns for a Box of Emeralds marked ⊛ N°. 81 imported 1740 ℔ Heathcote.			

A I F N°. 56, 57	Two Bulses of Diamonds value ... ... Of which £1612. 8. . Pag^{s}. 4206. 9. 54, is in full returns for a chest of Coral Beads marked ⊛ No. 101, imported 1744 ℔ Winchester. £423. 14. 3, Pag^{s}. 1105 12. 16, is in part returns for a chest of Coral Beads marked ⊛ No. 110, imported 1744 ℔ York £563. 18. 1, Pag^{s}. 1471. 2. 12, is in full returns for a chest of Coral Beads marked R $\frac{F}{A}$ N°. 1, imported 1744 ℔ York. By Ditto, Consigned to Richard Benyon Esq^{r}.	6782	24	2
[...] N°. 2 B	One Bulse of Diamonds value ... ... By Randall Fowke & Sons Edward and Joseph Consigned to Jacob Salvador.	5000	—	—
I. S. N°. 1.	One Bulse of Diamonds value ... ... Of which. £543. 7. 3, Pag^{s}. 1417. 16. 71 is in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads marked E N°. 6, imported 1744 ℔ Prince William. £865. 5. 3, Pag(s.) 2257. 7. 40, is in part returns for a Box of Coral Beads marked R $\frac{E}{S}$ N°. 3 imported 1744 ℔ Beaufort. £416. 6. 2, Pag$_{s}$. 1086. 1. . is in part returns for a Box of Coral Beads marked SB. N°. 3, imported 1744, ℔ Beaufort.	4760	25	31
[...] 2.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £9. 3. 5 ... ... In full returns for the remains of Three chests of Coral Beads marked FB N°. 1 @ 3, imported 1742 ℔ Shaftsbury, Walpole & Marlborough. By Randall Fowke & Sons Edward & Joseph Consigned to Benjamin Mendes Da Costa.	23	33	43
BMDC. N°. 2.	One Bulse of Diamonds value ... ... Of which £503. 9. 11, Pag^{s}. 1313. 16. 76, is in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads marked ✡ No. 7, imported 1744 ℔ Prince of Wales. £646. 11. 1 Pag^{s}. 1686. 19. 4, is in part returns for a Box of Coral Beads marked ✡ No. 8, imported 1744 ℔ Prince of Wales. By Ditto, Consigned to Benjamin Alvarengo and Company.	3000	—	—
DF. N°. 2.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £ 231. 14. 1 ... ... In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads marked F. N°. 2 imported 1744 ℔ Prince of Wales. By Ditto, Consigned to Jacob Salvador.	604	15	74
S G. N°. 2. A	One Bulse of Diamonds value £412. 5. 2 ... ... In full returns for a chest of Foreign Silver marked S G. N°. 5 imported 1744 ℔ Duke of Dorset. By William Perceval Consigned to Richard Benyon Esq^{r}. and Richard Wiat.	1075	1	[...]
WP. N°. 2.	One Bulse of Diamonds value ... ... By Ditto, Consigned to Richard Wiat and James Whitchurch Jun^{r}.	1033	4	[...]
W W. N°. 2. P	One Bulse of Diamonds value	998	[...]	—
N°. 4.	One Bulse of Diamonds value	—	[...]	—
	By Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. Consigned to Richard Benyon Esq^{r}.			
RB. N°. 2.	One Bulse of Diamonds value ... ... By George Jones Consigned to John Goddard & Henry Moses.	—	[...]	—
GL. N°. 5.	One Bulse of Diamonds value	—	[...]	—
	Pag^{s}. ...	863	[...]	—

N.B.—The Bulse marked SF. N°. 2 being through a mistake, Manifested by this ship, as well as by Durrington, the value thereof being ... ...P. 1703 [...]—
Deducted from the above sum, makes the Amount of this Register only ... ... Pagodas 846 [...]—

FORT S^T^, GEORGE 15^TH^. FEBRUARY 1744/45.

JOHN SAVAGE.
Sec^ry^.

ACCOUNT PRODUCE OF SUCH CHESTS OF CORAL FOR WHICH REMITTANCES ARE NOW MADE IN FULL ℔ DURRINGTON AND BEAUFORT.

		Remittances. £.	S.	D.	Valuation in the Manifests. £	S.	D.
SB N°. 4.	One case of Coral Beads imported 1743 ℔ Montfort. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	891	14	2	700	—	—
FS N°. 2.	One Case of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ York. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	609	4	2	500	—	—
IS N°. 1. N	One Case of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Beaufort. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	231	13	1	180	—	—
RE N°. 2. S	One [Case] of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Duke of Dorset. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	558	12	7	430	—	—
[...]	One chest of Foreign Silver imported 1744 ℔ Prince of Wales. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	383	14	9	1500	Oz^s^.	
[...] N°. 3.	One chest of Foreign Silver imported 1744 ℔ [York]. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	383	14	9	1500	Oz^s^.	
[...] N°. 2.	One chest of Foreign Silver imported 1744 ℔ [Kent]. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	571	19	5	2032	5	—
[...]	Case of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ York. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	409	10	11	650	—	—
	Two chests of Coral Beads imported 1736 ℔ Hallifax. Remitted. By Bill—January 1738–9 ... 157 4 1; By Bulse—February 1742–3. 88 3 4; By Bulse—February 1744–5. 42 9 8	297	17	1	280	—	—
ME N°. 4.	One case of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Winchester. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	209	13	11	220	—	—
IS N°. 2.	One Case of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Prince of Wales. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	132	15	1	110	—	—

		Remittances. £	S.	D.	Valuation in the Manifests. £	S.	D.
F AI No. 1.	One Case of Coral Beads imported 1741 ℣ Scarborough. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	1022	7	5	900	—	—
F IM No. 17.	One Case of Coral Beads imported 1743 ℣ Montfort. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	595	12	4	390	—	—
8B No. 5.	One Case of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℣ Winchester. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	787	16	6	600	—	—
⧆ No. 6.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℣ Winchester. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	863	19	1	70	[...]	—
DF No. 1.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1743 ℣ Princess Amelia. Remitted. By Bulse January 1743–4 ... 44 15 6; By Bulse February 1744–5 ... 188 3 11	232	19	5	200	—	—
F I D No. 21.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1743 ℣ Princess Amelia. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	477	8	2	310	[...]	
$ No. 2.	One Chest of Rough Coral imported 1737 ℣ Nottingham. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	161	[...]			[...]	
Ⓕ No. 104 @ 107	Four Chests of Foreign Silver imported 1744 ℣ Prince of Wales and Prince William. Remitted. By Bulse February 1744–5 ...	4374	16	...	160	[...]	
Ⓕ No. 1.	One Chest of Foreign Silver imported 1744 ℣ Prince of Wales. Remitted. By Bulse February 1744–5 ...	1086	8	[2]		[...]	
No. 2. 3.	Two Chests of Coral Beads imported 1736 ℣ Haeslingfeild & Shaftsbury. Remitted. By Bill February 1737–8 ... 176 8 1; By D°. January 1738–9 ... 714 8 6½; By Bulse—October 1740 ... 581 12 1; By Bulse—January 1743–4 ... 968 14 11; By Bulse—February 1744–5. 92 3 5	2533	7	½	2095	—	—
[GR] N°. 39 @ 43.	Four Boxes of Coral Beads and Two Chests of Rough Coral imported 1737 ℣ Bedford, Royal Guardian, Duke of Dorset and Nottingham. Remitted.						

					Remittances. £ S. D.	Valuation in the Manifests. £ S. D.
	By Bill—September 1738 ...	1108	7	—		
	By Bill—January 1738–9 ...	312	1	8¾		
	By Bill—January 1739–40 ...	981	5	1		
	By Bulse—February 1742–3.	267	7	9		
	By Bulse—January 1743–4 ...	216	19	11		
	By Bulse—February 1744–5.	238	4	—		
					3124 5 5¾	2910 8 —
[...]	Three Boxes of Coral Beads & two chests of Rough Coral imported 1736, ℔ Haeslingfeild, Hallifax and Prince William.					
	Remitted.					
	By Bill—January 1736–7.	1904	19	5½		
	By Bill—February 1737-8.	913	14	3½		
	By Bulse—October 1742.	414	10	8		
	By Bulse—January 1743–4 ...	316	12	3		
	By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	165	11	4		
					3715 8 —	2561 — —
	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1737 ℔ Nottingham.					
	Remitted.					
	By Bill—January 1738–9 ...	396	3	7½		
	By Bill—January 1739–40 ...	148	4	4¾		
	By Bulse—January 1743–4 ...	723	4	—		
	By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	267	1	7		
					1534 13 7¼	1450 — —
	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Prince William.					
	Remitted.					
	By Bill—February 1744–5 ...				1128 3 3	970 — —
NP N. 4.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1743 ℔ Duke.					
	Remitted.					
	By Bulse—February 1744–5.				498 13 —	270 — —
No. 5.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1743 ℔ Princess Amelia.					
	Remitted.					
	By Bulse—January 1743–4 ...	405	18	7		
	By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	147	16	1		
					553 8 8	430 — —

		Remittances. £	S.	D.	Valuation in the Manifests. £	S.	D.
PS No. 1.	One chest of Foreign Silver imported 1744 ℔ Prince of Wales. Remitted. By—Bulse February 1744–5.	813	4	7	3000	[...]	
BS No. 34.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1741 ℔ Kent. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1742–3 ... 135 6 9; By Bulse—February 1744–5 ... 241 9 4	376	16	1	325	—	—
✡ No. 1.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1743 ℔ Princess Amelia. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ... 411 5 5; 378 4 7	789	10	—	590	[...]	
HH No. 1.	One Chest of Foreign Silver imported 1744 Winchester. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5	407	8	6	1500 Oz^{s}.		
S G S No. 1.	One Box of Emeralds imported 1740 ℔ Wilmington. Remitted. By Bulse—September 1742. 332 11 3; By Bulse—February 1744–5. 61 19 1	394	10	4	500	[...]	
S G S N^{o}. 123.	Three Chests of Bugles imported 1742 ℔ Lynn. Remitted. By Bulse—Feb^{ry}. 1744–5 ... 301 9 4; 40 14 9	342	4	—	[...]		
SB No. 2.	One Case of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Prince William. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	694	4	10	[...]		
F L S No. 1.	One Case of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Beaufort. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	392	3	5	[...]		
S No. 1.	One Case of Coral weads imported 1744 ℔ Prince of Wales. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	615	3	10	...		
⊕ No. 108.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Duke of Dorset. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	1306	11	8	1195	—	—
E. No. 9.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Duke of Dorset. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	134	13	1	100	—	—
No. 7.	One Chest Foreign Silver imported 1744 ℔ Prince of Wales. Remitted.						

		Remittances. £	S.	D.	Valuation in the Manifests. £	S.	D.
A [S G] N°. 4.	By Bulse—February 1744–5 ... One Chest of Foreign Silver imported 1744 ℔ Prince William. Remitted.	274	11	1	1000 Oz^{s}.		
FB N°. 3.	By Bulse—February 1744–5 ... One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Beaufort. Remitted.	660	2	7	2400 Oz^{s}.		
[...]R N°. 4.	By Bulse—February 1744–5 ... One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Duke of Dorset. Remitted.	141	11	3	120	—	—
[...]DC N°. 1.	By Bulse—February 1744–5 ... One Case of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Prince of Wales. Remitted.	740	2	10	640	—	—
B [...] L N. 1.	By Bulse—February 1744–5 ... One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744, ℔ York. Remitted.	178	9	4	125	—	—
[...]	By Bulse—February 1744–5 ... One Chest of Foreign Silver imported 1744, ℔ Prince of Wales. Remitted.	213	11	4	175	—	—
[...]	By Bulse—February 1744–5 ... [One]Chest of Foreign Silver imported 1744 ℔ York. Remitted.	833	8	6	...		
[...]	By Bulse—February 1744–5 ... One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ York. Remitted.	818	12	5	3000 Oz^{s}.		
ME N°. 1.	By Bulse—February 1744–5 ... One Chest of Foreign Silver imported 1744 ℔ Prince William. Remitted.	891	11	4	800	—	—
S I R N°. 16.	By Bulse—February 1744–5 ... One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1743 ℔ Montfort. Remitted.	281	6	11	1000 Oz^{s}.		
GR. N°. 59.	By Bulse—February 1744–5 ... One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Winchester. Remitted.	1288	17	10	1360	—	—
AT N°. 1 @ 8.	By Bulse—February 1744–5 ... Eight Chests of Foreign Silver imported 1744–5 ℔ Prince William & Prince of Wales. Remitted.	1350	10	5	940	—	—
	By Bulse—February 1744–5. 4229 13 — 4583 20 2	8813	3	2	32	[...]	
⊕ N°. 93.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1743 ℔ Duke. Remitted.						
	By Bulse—January 1743–4 ... 982 7 11						
	By Bulse—February 1744–5. 303 13 7	1286	1	6	920	[...]	

		Remittances. £	S.	D.	Valuation in the Manifests. £	S.	D.
N°. 96.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1743 ℣ Princess Amelia. Remitted. By Bulse—January 1743-4 ... 540 7 11 By Bulse—February 1744-5. 762 9 3	1362	17	8	960	—	—
N°. 97.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1743 ℣ Princess Amelia. Remitted. By Bulse—January 1743-4 ... 605 19 10 By Bulse—February 174(4)-(5) 397 16 1	1003	[...]		[...]		
N°. 98.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1743 ℣ Montfort. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744-5 ...	[...]			[...]		
N°. 100.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℣ [Winchester]. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744-5 ...	93[3]	4	[...]	[...]		
F A I N°. 3.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℣ Kent. Remitted. By Bulse—January 1743-4 ... 284 14 8 By Bulse—February 1744-5. 212 14 8	597	9	4	...		
[R- A] [P] N°. 5.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1742 ℣ Walpole. Remitted. By Bulse—January 1742-3 ... 315 19 6 By Bulse—February 1744-5. 153 17 3	469	16	9	300	—	—
F I D. N°. 24.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℣ York. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744-5 ...	657	8	—	460	—	—
PS N°. 2.	Oue Chest of Foreign Silver imported 1744 ℣ Prince William. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744-5 ...	1141	4	4	4200	Oz^{s}.	
FB N°. 2.	One Chest of Coral & Amber Beads imported 1744 ℣ Winchester. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744-5 ...	550	13	6	435	—	—
[...] N°. 1.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1743 ℣ Princess Amelia. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744-5 ...	627	—	8	540	—	—
[...]H N°. 2.	One Chest of Foreign Silver imported 1744 ℣ York. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744-5 ...	407	1	9	1500	Oz^{s}.	

		Remittances. £	S.	D.	Valuation in the Manifests £	S.	D.
P N°. 1.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℣ Prince of Wales. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	632	14	7	452	—	—
	[One] Box of Emeralds imported 1740 ℣ Heathcote. Remitted. [By] Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	61	13	5	110	—	—
	[One chest of] Coral Beads imported 1744 ℣ Winchester. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	1612	8	—	1000	—	—
	[One] Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℣ York. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	563	18	1	430	—	—
	One Box of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℣ Prince William. Remitted. By Bulse—February	543	7	3	475	—	—
FB N°. 1. 2. 3.	Three Boxes of Coral Beads imported 1742 ℣ Shaftsbury, Walpole, & Marlb°rough. Remitted. By Bulse—January 1742–3 ... 385 17 7; D°. D°. ... 926 17 9; By Bulse—February 1744–5. 9 3 5	1321	18	9	925	—	—
✡ N° 7.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℣ Prince of Wales. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	503	9	11	625	—	—
[...] F N° 2.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℣ Prince of Wales. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	231	14	1	200	—	—
S G A N°. 5.	One Chest of Foreign Silver imported 1744 ℣ Duke of Dorset. Remitted. By Bulse—February 1744–5 ...	412	5	2	1500	Oz^{s}.	

Fort S^{t}. George, 15th. February 1744/45.

John Savage.
Sec^{ry}.

I Richard Crab Commander of the ship Durrington do hereby acknowledge, That I have taken up & received of Nicholas Morse [Esq^{r}.] President and Governour &c^{a}. Council of Fort S^{t}. George [the sum of] Two hundred Pagodas [current] of the said [Place which was] advanced Me by Them, agreable to the terms [of the] Charter-party for buying victuals, and other [provisions] for Her Witness my hand to three Receipts [. . .] Dated in Fort S^{t}. George this fourth day of [February One] thousand seven hundred & forty four, forty five.

Rich^{d}. Crabb.

I Richard Crabb Commander of the ship Durrington do hereby for and on behalf of the Owners of said ship, Promise, Covenant and Agree to and with the President and Council of Fort S^{t}. George that the saltpetre by them laden on board her being

Thirty two Tons, fourteen hundred, One quarter and twenty Pounds, 32. 14.1. 20 Over and above the said ships Charter party Kintlage shall be accounted and paid for, at seventeen Pounds fourteen shillings & Five pence, 17. 14. 5 ℔ Ton, and no more, As by charter party agreement, Provided that the said saltpetre, shall not be reckoned as part of the said ships charter party Tonnage Witness my hand in Fort S^{t}. George this 15th. day of February 1744/45.

RICHARD CRABB.

MANIFEST OF PRIVATE TRADE LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP DURRINGTON BY CAPTAIN RICHARD CRABB FOR EUROPE VIZ^{r}.

Good Arrack Two (buts) value	243	—	—
Rattons [...]	354	—	—
Hengou	200	—	—
	797	—	—

[The whole amount] of the above is Arcot Rupees seven hundred ninety seven.

RICHARD CRABB.

ADDED AT FORT S^{r}. GEORGE.

[Campphire] ...	44 Tubs value	Pag^{s}.	470	—	—
Batavia Arrack ...	1½ Leaguer		68	—	—
Turmerick ...	[2]8 Bags		260	—	—
Sago	47. Bags		110	—	—
	Pagodas ...		908	—	—

RICHARD CRABB.

MANIFEST OF PRIVATE TRADE LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP BEAUFORT BY CAPTAIN THOMAS STEVENS FOR EUROPE VIZ^{r}.

	Rup^{s}.	an^{s}.	p^{s}.
Rattans six hundred and seventy Bundles value ...	700	—	—
Stick Lack fifteen chests	1090	—	—
Batavia Arrack Three Butts			
Two Hogsheads D^{o}.	620	—	—
One small Cask D^{o}.			
Two Hogsheads Goa D^{o}.			
Rugged Pearl one chest	260	—	—
Mangoes and Mango Pickle Six Casks	50	—	—
Chappa Romals Two Bales	1850	—	—
Camdanies one Bale	420	—	—

OFFICERS.

Silk Romals One Bale	1200	—	—
D^{o}. D^{o}.	1200	—	—
Curr^{t}. Ru^{s}.	7390	—	—

The whole amount of the above is Current Rupees seven thousand three hundred and ninety.

THOMAS STEVENS.

ADDED AT FORT S^{r}. GEORGE.

Camphire ... ... 100 Tubs value ...	Pag^{s}.	1450	[...]
Cotton yarn ... ... 8 Bales ...			[...]
Nurse skins ... ... 3500 Skins ...			[...]
Pago^{s}. ...			[...]

THOMAS STEVENS.

LETTER TO CAPTAIN R. CRABB, DATED FEBRUARY 16, 1745.

[*Public Despatches to England Vol. 14. pp. 124–125.*]

To CAPTAIN RICHARD CRABB
COMMANDER OF SHIP DURRINGTON.

SIRS

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your ship and make the best of your way to the port of London in Great Britain. Herewith are delivered you Two Box Packets marked A & B directed To the Honourable the Court of Directors for Affairs of the Honourable the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies at their house in Leaden Hall Street, London. The first Port you arrive at in England you are to send your Purser overland with that marked **A** which he is to deliver as directed, taking care to write to them yourself and to give them an Account of any thing remarkable you may meet with in the voyage. The other Packet marked **B** you are to keep on board till further orders from them.

Our Honourable Masters having Ordered our President to give you the need full Instructions for your Conduct in your ho[meward bound) passage in the present situation of affairs in Eu[rope] we hereby enjoin & require your strictest observance [of such as you] shall receive from him, And we beleive our Honourable Masters will expect that you use all possible means not to part company with the Beaufort now dispatched with you.

The Benjamin Captain Way being under our dispatch for the Westcoast we have ordered him to accompany your ship & the Beaufort into such Latitude where it may be proper for him to leave you, in presecution of his intended voyage.

If you touch at the Cape it will be acceptable to the Governour & Council of S^{t}. Helena that you carry them a supply of Garden seeds plants &c^{t}.

We wish you a good voyage & date this in Fort S^{t}. George this 16th. day of February 1744/45.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
SAMUEL HARRISON.

LETTER TO CAPTAIN T. STEVENS, DATED FEBRUARY 16, 1745.

[*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 14 pp. 125–126.*]

To CAPTAIN THOMAS STEVENS,
COMMANDER OF SHIP BEAUFORT.

SIR

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your ship & make the best of your way to the port of London in Great Britain. The first Port you arrive at in England you are to send your purser overland with the Packet Herewith delivered you directed To the Honourable the Court of Di[rectors] for Affairs of the Honourable the United Company [of] Merchants of England trading [to the East Indies at] their house in Leaden Hall street, [London] to write to them yourself & to give them an Ac[count of anything] remarkable you may meet with in your Voyage.

Our Honourable Masters ha[ving ordered] our President to give you the needfull Instruction [for your] Conduct in your homeward bound Passage in [the present] situation of affairs in Europe we hereby enjoyn & require your strictest observance of such as you shall receive from him, And we believe our Honourable Masters will expect that you use all possible means not to part company with the Durrington now dispatched with you.

The Benjamin Captain Way being under our dispatch for the Westcoast we have Ordered him to accompany your ship & the Durrington into such Latitude where it may be proper for him to leave you in prosecution of his intended voyage.

If you touch at the Cape it will be acceptable to the Governour & Council of S^{t}. Helena that you carry them a supply of Garden seeds, plants &c^{r}.

We wish you a good voyage & date this in Fort S^{t}. George this 16th. day of February 1744-45.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
SAMUEL HARRISON.

LIST OF BOOKS IN THR PACKET ℔ DURRINGTON marked B.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

1	Diaries and Consultations	... ...	1744	From 1st. January 1743-4 To 31: December 1744	
2	Ditto.		1745	From 1 January To 15 February.	1744-5
3	Letters received	... N°. 1 to 137...	1744	From 1^{t}. Janury 1743/4 To 31. Decem^{r}. 1744	
4	Ditto	1, to 37...	1745	From 1 January To 15 February.	1744-5
5	Letters sent	1, to 165...	1744	From 1st. January 1743-4 To 31 December 1734	
6	Ditto	1, to 29...	1745	From 1st. January Te 15th. February	17[44-45]
7	Country Letters received & sent	1 to 143...	1744	From 1st. January 3-4.. To 31 December 1744.	
N°. 8	Cash Accounts		1744	From 1st. January 1743. To 31. Decmeber 174.	
9	Ditto		1745	From 1st. January To 15th. February	174(4).
10	Cowles & Commissions		1744	From 1st. January 1743.4. To 31. Decembar 1744.	
11	Ship Book		1744	From 1st. Jan^{ry}, 1743. To 31. Decem^{r}. 174...	
12	Ditto		1745	From 1st. Jan^{ry}. [...]. To [...]	
13	Journal ... SS		...	[...]	
14	Ledger ... SS		...	[...]	
15	Journal Parcels		...	[...]	
16	Town Mint (Register & Accots. Currt.)		... 1744	[...]	
17	Pettah Mint (Register & Accots. Currt.)		... 1744	[...]	
18	Sea Customers (Register & Acco Currt.)		... 1744	From 1st. January 1743.4. To 31. December 1744.	
19	Land Customers (Register & Accots. Currt.)		... 1744	From 1st. January 1743.4. To 31. December 1744.	
20	Export Warehouse (Journal & Ledger)			From 1st. May 1743. To 30. April 1744.	
21	Export Warehouse Journal Parcels		...	From 1st. May To 31. Dec^{r}.	1744.
22	Import Warehouse (Journal & Ledger)		...	From 1st. May 1743. To 30. Aprill 1744.	

23	Import Warehouse Journal Parcels	...		From 1st. May To 31. Decr.	1744.
24	Paymaster Accounts		1744	From 1st. January To 31. December	1743.4. 1744.
25 26	Storehouse Journal Ledger		H	From 1st. May To 30. April	1743. 1744.
27	Storehouse Receipts, Issues & Remains ...			From 1st. Decr. To 31. Decr.	1743. 1744.
28	Saint Marys Church Ledger		E.E.	From 1st. Octor. To 30. September	1743. 1744.
29	Proceedings at the Quarter Sessions 1744.				
30	Records of the Court of Appeals Anno 1744.				
31	Records of the Mayors Court & Register of Wills Anno 1744.				

FORT ST. DAVID.

32	Diaries & Consultations		1744	From 1st. January To 31. Decr.	1743.4. 1744.
[...]	Journal & Ledger R R			From 1st. May To 30. April	1743. 1743.4.
[...]	... ...		1744	From 1st. Janry. To 31. Decr.	1743.4. 1744.

VIZAGAPATAM.

	Journal & Ledger ...	R		From 1st. May To 30. April	1743. 1744.

INGERAM.

	Journal & Ledger ...	S		From 1st. May To 30. April	1743. 1744.

MADEPOLLAM.

	Journal & Ledger ...	I		From 1st. May To 30. April	1743. 1744.

FORT ST. GEORGE
15TH. FEBRUARY 1744/45.

JOHN SAVAGE.
Secry.

LIST OF BOOKS IN THE PACKET ℔ BEAUFORT.
FORT ST. GEORGE.

N. 1	Diaries & Consulta[tions]		1744	From 7th. September To 31st. December	1744.
2	Diaries & Consultations		1745	From 1st. January To 15th. February	1744.5.
2	Letters Received	N°. 87, to 137 ...	1744	From 7th. September To 31. December	1744.
4	Letters Received	N°. 1, to 37 ...	1745	From 1st. January To 15th. February	1744.5.
5	Letters sent ...	N°. 113, to 165	1744	From 7th. September To 31. December	1744.
6	Letters sent ...	N°. 1, to 29 ...	1745	From 1st. January To 15th. February	1744.
7	Cash Accounts		1744	From 1st. September To 31st. December	1744.
8	Cash Accounts		1745	From 1st. January To 15th. February	1744.5.
9	Ship Book		1744	From 7th. September To 31st. December	[...]
10	Ship Book		1745	From 1st. January To 15th. February	174[4].
11	Town Mint Accounts Current		1744	From 1st. September To 31st December	174[...]
12	Pettah Mint Accounts Current		1744	From 1st. September To 31st. December	17[...]

13 Sea Customer's Accounts Current1 ... 744 { From 1st Augu[st]. To 31. Dece[mber] [...]
14 Land Customer's Accounts Current ... 1744 { From 1st. [...]
15 Paymasters Accounts Current ... ... 1744 [...]

FORT S[T]. GEORGE 16[TH]. FEB[RUARY] 174/445.

JOHN SAVAGE.
Sec[ry].

LIST OF PAPERS IN THE FORT S[T]. GEORGE PACKET TO ENGLAND ℔ DURRINGTON MARKED A.

FORT S[T]. GEORGE.

N°. 1 General Letter ℔ Durrington & Beaufort dated 15[th]. February 1744/45.
2 A Letter from the President to the Secret Committee.
3 Duplicate General Letter via Tranquebar dated 8[th]. January 1744-45.
4 Duplicate General Letter ℔ Prince of Wales dated 5[th]. September 1744.
5 Duplicate separate Letter ℔ Prince of Wales dated 5[th]. September 1744 with an addition of the same date.
6 Duplicate Copy of the Letter to S[t]. Helena ℔ Prince of Wales dated 5[th]. Sept[r]. 1744.
7 Triplicate General Letter ℔ Lusitania dated 1. March 1743/44.
8 Triplicate General Letter ℔ Heathcote dated 10[th]. February 1743/44.
9 Duplicate Separate Letter ℔ Heathcote dated 10[th]. February 1743/44 respecting the Roman Church in this Town, referred to in the 40[th]. Para of the more General Advices by that ship, with Copy of the Paper or decree referred to therein & it's Translate.
10 Copy of a Letter from M[r]. Dupleix, to the Phousdar of S[t]. Thome & the Answer to it referred to in the 62[d]. Para of the Fort S[t]. George General Letter dated 15[th]. February 1744/45.
11 Invoice of the Durringon's Cargo amounting to Pag[s]. 130896. 20. 2.
[12] Duplicate Invoice of the Beaufort's Cargo Amo[tg]. to Pag[s]. 130896. 9. 75.
[13] Duplicate Invoice of the Prince of Wale's Cargo Amo[tg]. to Pag[s]. 154998, 34. 73.
[14] Duplicate (Invoice) of S[t]. Helena Goods ℔ Prince of Wales amo[tg]. to P. 307. 16. 65.
N°. [15] Duplicate Invoice of the York to China amounting to Pag[s]. 64602. 19. 18.
[16] Bill of Lading for the Durrington's Cargo.
[17] Bill of Lading for the Beaufort's Cargo.
[18] Bill of Lading for the Prince of Wale's Cargo.
[19] Bill of Lading for the prince of Wales's surplus saltpetre.
[20] Captain (Cr)abb's request for surplus saltpetre.
[21] Captain Crabbs Agreement for the freight of his surplus saltpetre.
[22] Bill of Lading for surplus Saltpetre ℔ Durrington.
23 Captain Crabbs request for Pagodas 200 on his Charterparty.
24 Captain Crabb's First Receipt for the 200 Pag[s]. taken up on charterparty.
25 Calculate of the Durrington's Tonnage.
26 List of Packing stuff in 1308 Bales ℔ Durrington.
27 Muster Roll of the Durrington's Crew.
28 List of Ordnance & Warlike stores on board the Durrington.
29 Captain Crabb's Manifest of Private Trade.
30 Register of Diamonds & Precious Stones Licenced ℔ Durrington.
31 Duplicate Register of Diamonds & Precious Stones ℔ Beaufort.
32 Duplicate Register of Diamonds & Precious stones ℔ Prince of Wales.
33 Account produce of Coral & Silver for which remittances made in full ℔ Durrington & Beaufort.

34 Duplicate Account produce of Coral & Silver for which remittances we-made in full ℔ Prince of Wales.
35 List of Revenues from 1st. January 1743/44 to 31st. December 1744.
36 List of Covenanted Servants on the Coast of Chormandel.
37 List of Inhabitants Women & Seafaring Men.
38 Muster Roll of Peons & Country Musick.
39 Register of Birth's, Christnings, Marriages & Burials.
40 Import Warehouse Account Remains the 1st. Febry. 1774.5 Amts. to P 303801. 1. [...]
41 Duplicate Import Warehouse Indent for Goods for Use & Sale [for 1744.]
42 Duplicate Import Warehouse Indent for [Wo]olen Goods for 17[44].
43 Duplicate Storehouse Indent for 1746.
44 Additional Storehouse Indent for 1746.
45 Duplicate Assay Masters Indent for Mint Utens[ils].
46 Duplicate Indent for Medicines for the Hospi[tal].
47 List of Persons who have died under the Care [of the Surgeons with] their distempers Anno 1744.
48 Additional Import Warehouse Indent for Woo[llen Goods].
49 Captain Pelly's second Receipt for his Pa[ssage],
50 Five Surgeons second Receipt for headmoney vizt.

On the	Lapwing on	11 soldiers
	Prince of Wales	17
	York	26
	Winchester	7
	Beaufort	16

51 Surgeon of Benjamin's First Receipt for Headmoney on 28 soldiers.
52 General Abstract & Calculate of stock on hand at the dispatch of the Durrington & Beaufort Amounting to Pags. 573349. 10. 47.
53 Captain Steward's second Bond for the Chest of Silver delivered short of his Bill of Lading. The Third is kept here pursuant to order of Consultation of 21st. June 1744.
54. Abstract of the Nabob's Expences for the year ending 31st. Decr. 1744
55 Account Current of Ship Princess Augusta.
56 Account Current of Ship Sumatra.
57 Price Current for the year 1744.
58 Manifest of presents licenced ℔ Durington.
59 Register of Bills in return for Coral &ct.
60. Covenants Executed vizt. of Mr. John Andrews Writer.
Mr. George Jones } Free Mer-
Mr. Samuel Barlow } chants.
61. Muster Roll of the Gunroom Crew.
62. Vizagapatam Papers N°. 1 [. . .] 3.
N°. 1. [Monthly] Accounts of the Investment to 30 Novr. 1744
2. [List of] Marriages, Christnings & Burrials 1744.
3. [List of] persons who have died under the care of the Surgeon & their distempers 1744.
[63] [Ac]count of the Investment to 30th. November 1744.
[64] [...] Merchants Accounts to 30th. November 1744.
[65] [Captain] Crabb's dispatch.
[66. Boo]ks in the Box Packet ℔ Durrington marked B.

IN THE BOX APART.

N°. 67. Fort St. David Papers containing Vizt.
N°. 1. An Account of the Investment for the year 1744.
2. Andeapah Moodelaree's Account for the year 1744.
3. Narrain Chitty's Account Current for the year 1744.
4. Irshapa Chitty's Account Current for the year 1744.
5. Sunca Latchure Puttys Accot. Currt. for the year 17

6. Calculate of the Expences & Revenues for the year 1744 compared with 1743.
7. List of Debts outstanding in the Books R R ending April 1744.
8. List of Revenues for the year 1744.
9. Account of the Sea Customs at Cuddalore for 1744.
10. Account of the Land Customs at Cuddalore for 1744.
11. Abstract of Sea & Land Customs at Tevenapatam.
12. Muster Roll of the Two Companies of Soldiers & Gunroom [Crew].
13. List of Militarys Arrival, entering & renewing their [Contracts] in the First Company for 1744.
14. List of Militarys Arrival, Entering & Renewing their Contr[acts] in the Second Company for 1744.
15. List of Covenanted Servants 1744.
16. List of Christnings Marriages & Burials 1744.
17. Surgeons Indent for Medicines for [1744].
18. Surgeon's List of Deaths for 1744.

68. Muster Roll of the Europeans in the Four [...]
69. Assays of Gold & Silver Coinages 1744 N°. 1 [to 8 Viz^{t}.].

N°. 1 ... 12 Papers ... q^{t}. ... [(Mss)] Pag^{s}. [...]
(Curr^{t}. Pag^{s}. [...]

2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 ... 12 Papers ... q^{t}. ... Mss. [Rupees] / (Arcot [Rupees]

8 ... 1 Paper ... q^{t}. of the Current [...]

70. A Duplicate Packet from Bengal received at Fort S^{t}. George the 7th. Sept^{r}. 1744 ℔ Sumatra.
71. Account of Advances made to and Cloths brought in by the merchants on the Madrass Investment to 31st. December 1744 N°. 1 to 8, viz^{t}.

N°. 1. Tomby Chitty & his Partners, their account.
2. Telesinga Chitty & Nella Moota Comrapa Chitty, their account.
3. Molinga Kistna his account.
4. Ponapa Chitty his Account.
5. Pondaram &c^{t}. Managers of Chindadre Pettah, their account.
6. Teremangalum Comrapa his Account.
7. Sunca Vencata Rama & Ambaltandy their account.
8. Gundaveddy Vencata Rama & Nella Chitty their account.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE 16TH. FEBRUARY 1744. 5·

JOHN SAVAGE,
Secry.

LIST OF THE FORT S^{T}. GEORGE PACKET TO ENGLAND ℔ BEAUFORT
FORT S^{T}. GEORGE PAPERS VIZ^{t}.

[N°. 1. General Letter ℔ Dur]rington & Beaufort dated 15th. February 1744/5.
[2. A Letter from] the President to the Secret Committe.
[3. Duplicate] General Letter *via* Tranquebar dated 8th. January 1744/45.
[4. Duplicate Gen]eral Letter ℔ Prince of Wales dated 5th. September 1744.
[5. Duplicate Separate] Letter ℔ Prince of Wales dated 5th. September 1744 with [an add]ition of the same date.

[N°. 6. Duplicate Separ]ate Letter ℔ Heathcote dated 10th. Febry. 1743/44 respecting the [Roman] church in this Town referred to in the 40 Paragraph of the [more Gener]al Advices by that ship with Copy of the Paper or decree referr'd [to therein and] it's Translate.

7. Copy of a Letter from Mr. Dupleix to the Phousdar of St. Thome' and the Answer to it referred to in the 62 Paragraph of the Fort St. George General Letter dated 15th. February 1744/45.
8. Invoice of the Beaufort's Cargo amounting to Pagodas 130896. 9. 75.
9 Duplicate Invoice of the Durrington's Cargo amots. to Pags. 138314. 20. 2.
10. First Bill of Lading for the Beaufort's Cargo.
11. Second Bill of Lading for the Durrington's cargo.
12. Second Bill of Lading for surplus saltpetre ℔ Durrington.
13. Captain Crabb's Second Receipt for 200 Pags. taken up on Charterparty.
14. Calculate of the Beaufort's Tonnage.
15. List of Packing Stuff in 1339 Bales ℔ Beaufort.
16. Muster Roll of the Beaufort's Crew.
17. List of Ordnance & Warlike stores on board the Beaufort.
18. Captain Stevens's Manifest of Private Trade in Bengal & Madrass.
19. Register of Diamonds & Precious Stones licenced ℔ Beaufort.
20. Duplicate Register of Diamonds & Precious Stones ℔ Durrington.
21. Account produce of Coral & Silver for which Remittances are made in full ℔ Durrington & Beaufort.
22. List of Revenues from 1st. January 1743/44 to 31st. December 1744.
23. List of Covenanted Servants on the Coast of Chormandel.
24. List of Inhabitants Women & Seafaring Men.
25. Muster Roll of the Gunroom Crew.
26. Muster Roll of Peons & Country [Musick].
27. Register of Births, Christnings Marriag[es & burials].
28. Import Warehouse Account Remains the 1st. [...].
29. Triplicate Import Warehouse Indent for Goo[ds] for Sale & use for [ ].
30. Triplicate Import Warehouse Indent for [...]
31. Additionale Import Warehouse Indent for Wo[olen Goods for][...]
32. Triplicate Storehouse Indent for 1746.
33. Additionale Storehouse Indent for 1746.
34. Triplicate Assaymaster's Indent for [Mint Utensils].
35. Triplicate Indent for Medicines for the Use of the hospital for 1746.
36. List of Persons who have died under the care of the Surgeons, with their distempers Anno 1744.
37. Surgeon of the Benjamin's Second Receipt for Headmoney on 28 Soldiers.
38. Abstract of the Nabob's Expences for the year ending 31st. Decr. 1744.
39. General Abstract and Calculate of Stock on hand at the dispatch of the Durrington & Beaufort amounting to Pags. 573349. 10. 47.
40. Accounts of Advances made to & Cloths brought in by the Merchants. On the Madrass Investment to 31st. Decr. 1744 N°. 1 to 8 Vizt.
    N°. 1. Tomby Chitty & his partners their Account.
    2. Telesinga Chitty & Nellamoota Comrapa Chittee their Account.
    3. Molinga Kistna his Account.
    4. Ponapa Chittee his Account.
    5. Pondaram &ct. Managers of Chindadrepettah their Account.
    6. Teremungalom Comrapa his Account.

7. Sunca Vencata Rama & Ambaltandy their Account.
8. Gundaveddy Vencata Rama & Nella Chittee their Account.

41. Account Current of ship Princess Augusta.
42. Account Current of ship Sumatra.
43. Price Current 1744.
44. Vizagapatam Papers N°. 1 to 3.
N°. 1. Merchants accounts of the Investment to 30th. Novr. 1744.
[2. (List of)] Marriages Christnings & Burials 1744.
[3. List of] Persons who have died under the care of the Surgeons & their distempers 1744.

[45.] Bills ℔ Durrington & Beaufort in return for Coral &ct.
[46. Manefests of] Presents licenced ℔ Beaufort.
[47. Captain] Stevens's Dispatch.
[48. List of Bo]oks in the Beauforts Packet.

In the Box Apart.

[49. Muster Roll of] Europeans in the 4 Companys of Soldiers.
50. Fort St. David Papers Containing.
N°. 1. An Account of the Investment for the year 1744.
2. Andiapa Moodelairu's Account for the year 1744.
3. Narrain Chittys Account Current for the year 1744.
4. Irshapa Chittys Account Current for the year 1744.
5. Sunca Latchmy Puttys Acct. Curt. for the year 1744.
6. Calculate of the Expences & Revenues for the year 1744, compared with 1743.
7. List of Debts Outstanding in the Books rr, ends. April 1744.
8. List of Revenues for the year 1744.
9. Account of the Sea Customs at Cuddalore for 1744.
10. Account of the Land Customs at Cuddalore [for] 1744.
11. Abstract of the Sea & Land Customs at [Vizaga]patam.
12. List of Covenanted Servants 1744.
13. Muster Roll of the Two Companys of Soldiers & Gunroom [Crew].
14. List of Militarys Arrival, Entring, & Renewing their Co[ntracts] in the First Company for 1744.
15. List of Militarys Arrival, Entring, & Renewing the[ir Contracts] in the second Comp[any] for 17[44].
16. List of [Christning Marriages &] Burials 174[4].
17. Surgeon's [Indents for Medicines] for 174[4].
18. Surgeons List of [Deaths in 1744].

Fort [St. George].
[. . .]

Abstract of General Letter to the Company, dated July 3, 1745, Received Overland, 25 March 1746.

[*Coast and Bay Abstracts, Vol.* 5, *p.* 40 (*India Office Transcript.*)]

Fort St. George dated 3 July 1745.

1. None of the Ships from Europe are yet arrived.

2. Nabob a few days since returned to Arcot having obliged the Morattaes to repass the Kistna whereby shll be able to make a considerable Investment.

3. Morattas were ravaging the Countrey in small partys by Advices from Bengal dated 18th May and had taken the City and Fort of Cuttack near Ballasore.

Contracts were Finished at Calcutta on last years terms, Silk likely to be dear Crop of Cotton Spoiled, Wager not yet arrived.

4. Commodore Barnett was Cruizing 26 June off Fryers Hood, Lively Man of War Joyn'd him at Batavia 8th April.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
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ABSTRACT OF GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED SEPTEMBER 14, 1745 RECEIVED PER DOLPHIN 16 JUNE 1746.

[*Coast and Bay Abstracts, Vol.* 5, *p.* 40 (*India Office Transcript*).]

FORT S[T]. GEORGE DATED 14TH SEPTR. 1745.

1. Send this by a Dane to advise the Dolphin arrived there the 17th August too late for her intended Voyage.

2. Ship Wager arrived in Bengal 6th June and also the Edgbaston.

3. Ship Essex was not arrived at Mocha the Middle of July.

4. All the Companys Affairs are in good Order.

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ABSTRACT OF GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY DATED SEPTEMBER 24, 1745. RECEIVED PER DOLPHIN THE 16 JUNE 1746.

[*Coast and Bay Abstracts, Letters Received, vol.* 5, pp. 40—46, *India office transcript.*]

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1. Last General Address dated 15th February Per Durrington and Beaufort.

2. The Ship Benjamin which brings this left them well the 24th.

3. Wrote 3d July viâ Bussora and 14th Instant by a Dane.

4. Have received several Letters from the Company.

5. Received Secret Committees Letter dated 14 May.

FIRST OF SHIPPING.

6. Last Years Ships Sailed from Bengal and Tellicherry in January and February.

7. Hardwicke left Batavia for China in May.

8. Last Year the Bags in Chest of Silver No. 365 Per York past the Scales twice, present Officers of Winchester and York, a Committee of Council and Assay Master, it was taken out of the York Carried to Macao and thence to Canton.

9. Ship Northampton arrived at Anjengo 31st March Sailed 10th May for China, Porto Bello from Batavia in February, Orford from Bencoolen 10th June for Borneo.

10. Princess Augusta arrived with Salt Petre from Bengal 4th March and Sai ed for Bencoolen 5th June.

11. Received from Bengal Per Sloops Stores for their own and His Majestys Squadron's use, returned them with Treasure and Redwood, the Tryal Sloop returned the 13th Instant with Provisions for the Squadron and a Packet from the Company.

12. The Mermaid built at Bombay for the Company arrived 13th May is gone to Vizagapatam daily expect her return.

13. Sold the Eltham for 1500 pag. near the Sum given for her.

14. Success Galley in two Trips brought 695 Bales from Fort St. David.

15. Benjamin returned from Batavia 24 July.

16. And with her the Sumatra Sailed 9th August for Vizagapatam.

17. The Dolphin came too late to proceed for China but returned to Europe.

18. Judge the London having Supra Cargoes on board should proceed thither.

19. Three French Ships passed the Streights of Sunda 7th August for China.

20. Advised Bombay the needful on Dolphins arrival.

21. Cap^{t}. Pigot deliver'd his Stock Chest and some Stores.

22. Will Grant Certificates for money received of Captains.

SECONDLY GOODS FROM EUROPE.

23. Sold 4 July 120 Candy Copper at Pags. 83. 10. 40. Sent 5 Candy to Ganjam where 100 can be disposed of Yearly.

Sic. 25.* Sent to Bengal 44036 Madras and 64000 Arcott Rupees could but ill Spare it and no Supplies arriving had recourse to a Method seldom practiced taking up Money at Interest.

Sold part of Dolphins Silver at Dollars 14$\frac{3}{4}$ Per 10 pagodas.

26. Bengal and they are in great want of Money part of which shall be glad to receive by an early Conveyance.

27. Last Year provided 4600 Bales and have at this time 3000 more, whereby Stock is lessen'd.

28. Some Decayed Wares and Stores to be Sold.

29. Timbers forced on Injeram sold, by Wood being scarce for no loss.

30. Received from Bengal the Guns and part of the Broad Cloth by the Wager.

31. By a great call for Gold Mohurs difficult to dispose of Silver, few or no Rupees carried to Bengal as formerly which occasions Gold to be very scarce and tho' little Silver imported yet the Price is low.

32. Send Indents for Wares and Stores, All the Woollen Goods will be taken away in two Months, have no Lead or Iron and in general are in great want of Stores having not so much as a Barrell of Pitch or Tarr. Beg to be supplyed with every Article.

33. Bengal put Packing Stuff on Ship Mercury, Burnt in the River.

THIRDLY AND FOURTHLY INVESTMENTS AND COUNTREY GOVERNMENTS.

34. Agreed with Teremungalom for Fine Goods at an Abatement, but the Morattas harrassing the Countrey whence Thread is brought, Seized and set Fire to 1000 Ox Load of Cotton and Thread it was impracticable to lower the Ordinary Goods they plundering the Countrey to Arcot and Laula Petta, however 1200 Bales brought in.

35. At Fort S^{t}. David Andiapa Contracted to bring in 2000, Narrain Chitty 800 Sallampores they have brought in 1400 at last years price.

36. At Vizagapatam the Dutch gave great prices for a bad Manufacture, intended for some Market in India being too bad for Europe Vizagapatam have provided 200 Bales.

37. Expect daily from Ingeram 400 Bales and from Madapollam 200, but the Government very bad in those parts.

38. At Ganjam 70 Bales laden on Sumatra.

39. Colour'd Goods from Metchlepatam now sent.

40. Complained of Phousdar to Nizam. Have paid the Bill from Anjengo for 5000 Rupees.

41. The Morattas after plundering the open Towns and Villages returned in April.

42. Rec^{d}. Letters from the Nabob that the Moguls pass was Granted to Natives and Strangers forbidding such Ships to be molested. To which replyed if the French made use of such Passes and Colours they would nevertheless be made prizes.

Hodjee Addy was sent to explain several matters with Nabob.

On Commodore Barnetts Squadron appearing the Nabob expresly forbid Hostilitys on Land to which promis'd a due regard with reserve to Men of War for whose Conduct could not be accountable, he then wrote that no Hostilitys should be committed by the Ships of War in the Roads of Pondicherry and Carracal, and a Neutrality observed in the Moguls Ports, to which could not Submit.

On Marriage of his Daughter sent the President a Horse and Seirpaw, the Governour of Pondicherry the like, who returned a Present of 3000 Pag^{s}. for late Services but they Judged one of less Value sufficient 50 Gold Mohurs and a Service of Plate amounting to about 350 Pag^{s}.

43. The Nabob visited S^{t}. Thome and Pondicherry, thence he went on to Fort S^{t}. David and Worriapollam, his Tour seeming in some measure calculated to raise Contributions of European Nations so were obliged to make him presents.

[General Letter to the Company dated September 24, 1745

[*Public Despatches to England, Vol.* 15, pp. 1-20].

44. We beg leave to referr [you . . .] to Our Consultations for what has passed [between you] and Captain Robert Norton, Master of Ramasunkar, As We found she was designed for with several Liquors and stores, which could [...] no other entent but to dispose of amongst the Ostenders, and lest Notice of it should reach the Moors and be a pretext for their giving any trouble to Your settlements We judged it our Duty to put a stop to his Voyage to that Port, though no ways restraining him from going to any other, He accordingly has entered into penalty Bond of 5000 Pagodas not to proceed thither or to have any Dealings with them. Your Honours will no doubt on't think our Caution at that time was not improper, but we need not have given ourselves, if we had known the fate of M^{r}. Schonamille sooner who is reported to be Cut off near the City of Pegue with One hundred men of his Party, That Fifty more were carried into slavery by the Aracan People and that the rest were retired to their Ships and are Supposed to be gone either to Malacca or Batavia, so that this Expedition has inded very Tragically with these People but the reverse (*a few words lost*) of India.

Consns. 1745 19th, 22nd. April 21st, 2[..] May.

Consns. 1745 29th. July.

Fifthly, touching Fortifications, Buildings, Repairs and Revenues.

45. We have at length concluded [now] a Plan for Fortefying the West side of the Town and have made some beginning upon that Work and by the January shipping We shall send Your Honours a Calculate of the Cost, which we are unable to do ' till we have made some further progress, and can better judge of the expence. By this Plan the Town will be somewhat Enlarged and well secured on that side which there is an absolute necessity [for] it having been, (as justly represented by Major [. . .]) no more than an Offensive Fortification, and both the Mint and Charles Points are found so very defective from the many cracks that are in them that they would be of little service were they to stand and therefore to make it more regular there will be two Bastions erected in their room.

[Cons] 1745. [4th] June.

Consns. 1745. 26th August. 13th Septr. Lrs. Recd. 1745. No. 140, 143. Lrs. Sent 1745. No. 143.

46. The Deputy Governor and Council of Fort St. David having represented to us that the Godown at the Washing Towns in Bondipollam and Tevena[patam] were infested with White Ants and out of repair are not large enough to contain the quantity of Cloth they now have there We have given them liberty to [*a few words lost*] three new Godowns, the Cost [*a few words lost*] Four hundred [*a few lines lost*] They have likewise set forth [. . .] the south West Bastions of their Fort, not [. . .] carried away by the freshes in former times, [. . .] the Ditch, The Calculate of the former amount [. . .] to One thousand three hundred & fifteen Pagodas [. . .] fanams and the other to Three thousand four [hundred] and Ten Pagodas which in regard to the pre[sent circum]stances of the times and their neighbourhood to [. . .] We can but join in Opinion with them that no [Moment] to be lost to compleat those Works and have therefore given our Consent. They have also made a proposal of raising a Plat Form opposite to the River, but that We have thought proper to deferr for the present, as it was not of so great importance.

Consns. 1745 1st July. 5th Augst. Lrs. Sent 1745. No. 125.

47. The Person We sent to Vizagapatam to take a plan of that Place is returned hither with it, and We have delivered it to Mr. Smith for his inspection. But his time has been so much taken up here and at Fort St. David that he has not been able to give us his Opinion about what may be necessary to be done there any further than the Building one small Battery and repairing another, at a small expence, which we have directed to be done and as the House was in great want of repair and they had no Godowns to keep their stores in, We have permitted them to set about those Works also.

Consns. 1745. 12th August. 2nd, 13th Septr. 1743 [not more]

48. The Cowles for the Farms of the Betle & Tobacco, Measuring duty, Town Brokerage & Fishing in the River expiring this year, we put them up at Outcry in Obedience to [the 68th Paragraph] of your Commands of the 21st. March [. . .] than seven thousand Five hundred 7500 Pagodas was bid for the Betle & [Tobacco Nine] hundred & fifty 950 for the measuring duty, forty five, 45, for the Fishing Farm which were [also] bought in again on your honours Account Eight hundred, 800, which in more than it let for before was bid for the Town Brokerage but having good reason to believe we should get more for the Measuring Duty and Town Brokerage if not separated, they having hitherto been let together, we bought in the last also & hope to advise your Honours in our next that we have made better terms: The last Farmers of the Betle & Tobacco having suffered so much by the number of Moors residing amongst us (whose servants are continually running great Quantities into Town) & the apprehensions the people are in of the same from the unsettled state of the country are the chief reasons why persons are not more forward to rent that Cowle, however we shall do our best if possible to prevent your Revenues sinking under our management.

Sixthly touching Factors, Writers, Officers and their Accounts.

Consns. 1745. 20th. Febry.

49. By our last Letter Your Honours were informed of Mr. Samuel Harrison's going for England and our design of calling Mr. Edward Fowke to the Board who has accordingly taken his seat and now writes to his Friends to tender the usual security for the performance of his Covenants.

Consns. 1745. 25th. Febry.

50. We agreed to take off the additional Allowance to the Lieutenants on [the number of Europeans] in the Hospital being greatly reduced in [tending] to allow them their servants as before.

Consns. 1745. 6th & 9th. May. 4th. June. 1st July. Lrs. Recd 1745. No. 77, 82, 90. Lrs. Sent 1745. No. 63, 80, 101.

51. Mr. John Graham dying [and] being Indebted to the Honourable Company his [papers] and Effects were seal'd up, and no others app[lying for] Letters of Administration the Court granted [. . .] Floyer and Cooke on Your Account who have what he has left under their Management We are informed [there] are some other demands on the Estate, but of this We shall write more fully in January. We appointed Mr. Holt to take his Employ at Cuddalore and Mr. Thomas Cooke Junr. to supply the vacancy in the Council there.

Consns. 1745. 25th July. 5th & 12th Augst. Lrs. Recd 1745.

52. Four of the Gentlemen who came out on the Wager finding that she was to proceed from Batavia to Bengal, took their passage on a sloop for Bencoolen, and from thence on the Sumatra hither and on their request to be considered for their

extraordinary Charges at Batavia and the West Coast We agreed to allow them Thirty Pagodas each, though We were very sensible it was far short of the Expence they had been at, We also paid the Usual Allowance for their passage from the West Coast to this place, They have further desir'd of us to represent their case to your Honours in respect to their standing and 'till your further pleasure is known We have directed that their Times Commence from the 1st. of December last the day the Godolphin arrived in the Bay, on which ship Mr. Mansell was [. . . which] We thought the Most equitable way [of settling the matter] for the present [. . .] sanctioned to several Employs; Mr. Morferd [. . .] few days after his Arrival, And Mr. Alexander Baird is at his desire gone to Fort St. David. No. 121, 135. Lrs. Sent 1745. No. 123.

53. Mr. Trenwith is within these [few days] arrived from Bengal, but Mr. Orme Yet continues there.

54. The Deputy Governour of Fort St. David desiring one of our Officers might be sent thither, two of them being very sickly Ensign Love was accordingly Ordered [there]. Consns. 1745. [ ] June.

55. Mr. Charles Savage Norris, Factor and Sub Accountant, dying the 29th. of June, We have been under a necessity of employing Mr. Charles Hopkins [in] that Office as none of Your under servants were [qualified] for it, for which he is at present allowed Ten Pagodas a Month, but if he gives us satisfaction therein We have thoughts of Augmenting his pay which is too inconsiderate for such a service. Consns. 1745. 29th June. 3rd July.

Seventhly touching Accounts.

56. The President and Council of Bombay transmitted us some Bills of Exchange on Account of the sales of some of Your Woolen Goods in Persia, drawn on Sultan David an Armenian Inhabitant of this Place by his Wife and son at Zulpha, Upon our presenting the Bill for Acceptance they were refused, and we were obliged again to protest these as We had done those [. . .] sent us, Upon which We called upon Sultan David [for] his reasons, which he delivered us at large, to which [he sent] the [9 letters] from Bombay on this subject We [*a few words lost*] for what has [*a few words lost*]. Consns. 1745. 24th 27th June. 1st 8th July. Lrs. Recd. 1745. No. 105. Lrs. Sent 1745. No. 105.

57. We have received [*a few words lost*] Madepollam an Account of their Outstanding [. . .] concerning which We shall be more particular [. . .] Consns. 1745. 20th Febry. Lrs. Sent 1745. No. 31, 32. Lrs. Recd, 1745. No. 58, 60, 117.

58. We desire Your Honours as usu[al to] be referred to our postscript for what Bills of Exchange we now draw on You.

Eighthly Concerning the West Coast.

59. As your settlement on the West Coast was but on ill terms with Batavia, We have taken care to supply them with a large parcel of salt and other necessaries which we shall continue to do; They are so well stor'd with Rice from the rate favourable seasons that they have desired to have no more, either from hence or Bengal; and the thinness of Europeans in our Garrison, not permitting us to send them any Recruits, We ordered a draught of Our Topasses and entertain'd some Arabs who proceeded on the Princess Augusta. Consns. 1745. 20th. Febry. 2nd June. 25th July. Lrs. Sent 1745. No. 78, 79. Lrs. Recd. 1745. No. 121.

60. Mr. Lennox Your Deputy Governour is not yet restored to his Health and if he finds himself not better by January he purposes to return to Europe, and if so, We shall send a Commission to Mr. Rigg to succeed him, That Gentleman since the Arrival of the Orford has acted in that Post.

61. We have been some time in expectation of seeing the Princess Augusta from the West Coast with a fresh Indent, for want of which We could only advise the Gentlemen in Bengal of such Articles as are in general Use and We shall in our next Letter notify to them that Twenty or Thirty [. . .] may be of service there.

NINTHLY RESPECTING THE CHARTER.

Consns. 1745. 4th March.

62. Agreable to what we wrote Your Honours in February, We soon after the ships sail'd sent the Gentlemen of the Mayor's Court Copies of the several papers received by the Godolphin in relation to their Establishing an Accountant General, but to this day We have received no Answer thereto.

TENTHLY, OF THE FRENCH AND OTHER EUR[OPEAN] NATIONS TRADING TO INDIA.

Consns. 1745. 4th. 10th. 12th. 27th. June. Lrs. Recd. 1745. No. 107. Lrs. sent 1745. No. 81, 82, 83, 84, 99.

63. The beginning of June we had accounts from several hands that the French were making great preparations at Pondicherry for some secret design & that Mr. Dupleix had march'd some miles from the Fort With a number of Europeans Gunners & Lascars together with great Quantities of Ammunition, scaling Ladders & other Implements of War, that several Boats were in a river just by & that a sloop & some large Boats in [that] Road had received also on board Ammunition of all Kinds that some Mortars too were fixed upon large Catama[rans] & lay ready for embarkation and that they were in expectation of a number of Men from the Islands and which gave us reason to apprehend they had some [design] upon our settlements or the shipping in our road [at] Fort St. David from its neighbourhood & the [quantity] of Cloth lying there might [probably become their first] Object we thought it might be a means to abate [the enemys] hopes & render them less forward to undertake [anything] against that settlement to get all the Bales we could from thence which from their number were Likewise very inconvenient for want of more room as they were obliged to keep all their provisions, firewood &c. [within the] Fort whereupon we came to a determination to send the [success] Galley a prime sailer & your new vessel the Mermaid thither & to refer it to those Gentlemen to act as they should judge most for your Interest; Before these vessels got the length of that place Mr. Hinde sent advice by a Catamaran to Captain Barton Commander of the Success & to the President by the Tappies that The French were actually manning their Boats but on the Success's presently after appearing before St. David their Military were not sent off & the Expedition laid aside, however as the President upon Mr. Hindis Letter had given directions for the return of the Success in Order to intercept those Boats if they had put out the Gentlemen had time only to put on board two hundred seventy five 275 Bales; On this occasion we thought it proper that the Inhabitants should be in readiness upon any alarm, they were therefore summon'd to the Fort & Arms delivered to them & as it was uncertain when Commodore Barnet might appear on the Coast with his squadron, & near one hundred of our Peons being absent upon several occasions we judged it necessary to take into the service for some time two hundred Poligar Peons [who] remain'd with us only one month we having [. . .] being off Ceyloan & It was at length discovered [that] this Armament of the French was designed for the [relief] of their settlement at Caracal which had been surrounded by a large body of Tanjourin horse but the Mermaid remaining still at Fort St. David the French did not care to venture their Men &ca. by sea and lest the want of succour might indanger the place it being Impracticable for them to Enter the Fort by Land without Engaging and defeating the Enimy they sent proposals of Accommodation to the King of Tanjour whereby they afterwards Obtained a Suspension of Arms for a time—As we [learnt] there were no French ships on the Coast we sent [the] Success again to Fort St. David to fetch up the rest of the Bales & she & the Mermaid brought us five hundred & twenty, 520, more.

64. We have been since informed that the French have sent by a snow from Tranquebar some [muskets] & other warlike stores which the ViceRoy of Manilha had requested of Mr. Dupleix, this is the first Experiment [of] Danes into that Port & the Cargo they have sent is supposed to be partly belonging to Pondicherry. The Danes give [out] that they have obtained liberty from the King of [Spain] to send a ship thither yearly from Tranquebar.

Consns. 1745 4th, 25th March 13th. May 5th. 12th 16th. Augst. 15th July.

65. Since the Capture of the Favour [the] French have done all in their power to set the Cou[ntry] Government upon Us with a design as may be sup[posed] to put a stop to our business, & particularly since the taking of the Mahomud Shaw their Manilha [Ship] they have had their Agents at Arcot to solicite the [Nabob] to gett that ship & Cargo restored to them, urging [that th]e English had shewn no respect to the Moors

Flag [...] and every Argument was urged against us that could [give] them the least hopes of working up his Excellency [to make] demands on Us for that Ship, As we kept a constant [watch] upon the Motions of the French we had all the necessary Intelligence of what they were about & therefore [will not] fail on our side to exert ourselves to prevent their designs taking effect, but it was some time before we could convince his Excellency of the Justness of our cause several of our friends about him were engaged in Loans to the French which made it the more difficult as their Interests led them to take part with the French and as they were continually buzzing stories into his Ears they kept him wavering sometime what to do but on his being presented with a full state of the Case & made sensible how much it was for the Interest of himself & the province to keep fair with Us & that the presents the French proposed to make him would very poorly compensate the Loss he would otherwise sustain by a Breach with us it plainly appeared to him that the schemes the French were laying were with a view solely to their own benefit & therefore it became the less difficult for him to resolve to engage no farther with them than would suit his own purposes, by this Your Honours will find that all their designs against Us have been frustrated which have been attended with no small Expence to them and this makes the disappointment the greater.

66. A Vessel is arrived at Myhie from the Islands & it is given out at Pondicherry That [the French] Company are sending out six ships to India under [escort] of four Men of War, if so, probably three of them may [be] those gone for China, It is Certain there is a Ship at [the] Islands from France this Year.

ELEVENTHLY, CONCERNING THE WAR AND HIS BRITANNICK MAJESTY'S SHIPS IN INDIA. Consns. 1746 25th. Febry. 4th March.

67. Having some proposals made Us [by] Our Victualers here for supplying his Majesty's squa[dron] with Beef & pork, we accepted them for the reasons [which] Your Honours will find in our Consultations & we [made] part of the Agreement with them that they should [take] off what the paymaster had provided before so that [we be] thereby eased of the trouble & other inconveniencies [that] would have attended it.

68. What provisions have been sent hither [from] Bengal by the several vessels have been at times [...] & delivered to his Majesty's ships as has likewise [part] of the Wheat from Bombay, the rest they have desired [to] be made into Bisket & as the Medway's prize & Dol[phin] are both gone to Bengal for further Supplies, & as [some] of their Ships may probably be on the Malabar Coast [next] Year we took upon it there will be little or no occasion [...] to concern ourselves in making any further provision for them, however when they apply to Us we shall [give] them all the Assistance in our power. [..]

69. On our presidents notifying to [Commodore] Barnet that some vessels were expected with Your Honour's [...] Bales from the Northward he sent the Dolphin Cruiz[ing to] this place & Vizagapatam with orders to keep that station till the 10th. of this month as she was then designed for Bengal but as there was a great number of their people [still ashore] at Fort St. David and a great Mortality having [occurred] among them at Batavia the Dolphin had little more than a third of her complement whereupon for the better strengthening of her we sent a party of an Ensign & fifty men on board her she met with nothing in that time but by private advices we learn that the Success & Morton expected here from Ingeram & Madapollam are detained in those Rivers by the Oppression of the Government & that the Sumatra met with such bad weather about Ganjam that she did not leave that port till the 26th. August; We hope to see them all in few days. [..]

70. We shall have a due observance of your orders relating to any prizes that may be brought to this port by any of his Majesty's ships, Your Honours will have been advised last year from Batavia of their having taken the three French Europe China ships whose Cargoes they would have been extreamly glad to have disposed of to you; but they being in some doubt whether Your Honours would chuse to accept of them added to the difficulty of bringing them hither & the great risque that might have attended the leaving them any time in a place where property is so little secure occasioned them to accept the offers made them by the Dutch though the terms were very indifferent & much inferiour to the[ir] value: As they have now received

Consns. 1745 2nd. Septr. 21st. Decr. 18th. April.

satisfaction in this [part] we believe they will in future make choice of your [ports] for the sale of what they may become possess'd of during their stay in India.

71. We understand that the Fame & Winch[elsea] privateers have entered into an Engagement with the General of Batavia to proceed in company with two or three of their ships & Vessels on a trading Voyage in the South Seas: The Dutch stock is said to be up[wards] of One hundred & fifty thousand, 150,000, pow[ders] of which their Company are concerned one half, the Town of Batavia the other, the privateers are to have twenty 20 ℔ Ct. on the Gross sales & Captain Cummins five 5 ℔ Ct. Commission & they are to be protected by the privateers.

72. We hope what we have done in relation to the entertaining Commodore Barnet & the other Captain of his Majesty's Ships will meet with Your Approbation [and] it would have been a great satisfaction to us that your Orders on this affair had been more explicit, as you have been pleased to direct particular honours to be paid them and as there are no houses to receive them either [here or] at St. David's but those which are for the use of the [Governour] & Deputy Governour which on such occasions we are under the necessity of complementing them with & [in] particular had been done to Mr. Matthews, we esteem [the] Company's credit & honour were too much concerned [to] us to be wanting to shew the same respect & Civilities [to] Mr. Barnet & the Gentlemen with him as had been done to Mr. Matthews & those of that squadron especially [if] the merit of their services be considered we believe [your] Honours will agree with Us that as the Expence [is] likely to be very considerable we are acting for your In[terests] in obliging the Gentlemen with such a Gratification.

Consns. 1745 19th, 24th Septr.

73. Captain Moore of the Deptford has delivered into your Treasury here six hundred forty Ounces & six Penny Weights, ozs dwt 640 : 6, of Standard Silver amounting at Five Shillings and Six Pence an Ounce to One hundred seventy six Pounds One Shilling and Eight pence sterling L s d 176 : 1 : 8 for which we have given him Bills on your Hons. at six months sight as you are pleased to order in your 23d. paragraph of 21st. December last, We have also granted him another set at the Exchange of seven shillings & four Pence ℔ Pagoda, as will Appear by our Postscript.

SUPPLEMENT.

74. The French ship from Pondicherry to Mocha purchased a Cargo of Coffee which it's said she has carried to the Islands, by Orders from the Governour and Council, which she met with at Mihie, the Average price was one hundred & four Spanish Dollars ℔ Bahar.

Consns. 1745 24th Septr. Lrs. Recd. 1745 No. 150, 151

75. The Vessel expected from Bombay as mentioned in a former Paragraph; called the Advice Snow arrived here the 22d. Instant, having left that Place the 24th. of August. The Fort St. George & Elizabeth were intended to be dispatched for Europe in a short Time, None of your Ships of this Year had then imported there.

76. We have just now received Notice that [the] Dane's ship will not proceed for Europe till January [as it] is in the mean time going to Acheen their other ship [not] yet arrived.

77. The Commodore intends to lye in the [coast] till the 28th. of this month, in hopes of some of the ships coming in with their stores; This ship will accompany him to a proper distance, The Dolphin has taken upwards of Five hundred Bales, and will follow in a few days by whom we flatter our selves we may be able to give you some Account of your ships, which we [could] but be sensible would be very agreable to you & therefore the more earnestly wished for by us.

78. The Invoice of the Benjamin's [cargo] Amounts to One hundred twenty three thousand twenty four Pagodas three Fanams and twenty seven Cash 1230[24 : 3 : 27] That of her St. Helena Goods to One hundred Eighty three Pagodas Eighteen Fanams & sixty eight Cash 183 : 18 : 68.

79. The amount of the Register of Diamonds & Precious Stones by the Benjamin is forty one thousand seventy two Pagodas thirty two Fanams & seventy one Cash 41072 : 32 : 71, of what is hitherto registered by the [Dolphin] twenty thousand Eight hundred & ten Pagodas twenty one Fanams & twenty three Cash.

20810 : 21 : 23 Captain Way has manifested as his homeward bound Adventure the amount of two thousand seven hundred forty six 2746 Pagodas, but has paid no money in for Certifi[cate].

80. Your Honours have remaining in Cash here this day fourteen thousand Eight hundred fifty three Current Pagodas three Fanams & twenty one Cash 14853 : 3 : 21 & Eight hundred forty one [current] Madrass Pagodas.

We are

HONOURABLE
Your faithfull humble Servants

FORT ST. GEORGE
[24TH.] SEPTEMBER 1745

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
EDWARD FOWKE.

POSTSCRIPT.

THE BILLS we now draw on Your Honours by the Benjamin are [at] this date & payable as follows.—

Set.							
1	To Samuel Remnant or order at 7 : 8 (s d) ₱ Pagoda & 90 days sight value of Joseph Smith for		182	21	73	[70]	
1	To Captain John Moore or order at 7 : 4 (s d) ₱ Pag[a]. & 90 days sight value of the said Cap[t]. John Moore ...		5424	31	—	1989	[2 4]
2 sets at 90 days amounting to		Pag[a].	5607	16	73	2059	[2 4]
1 set	To Captain John Moore or order at 5 : 6 (s d) ₱ Ounce & 6 Months sight value of the said Captain John Moore in standard silver		Oz[s]. 640	dwt. 6	—	[...]	
Three 3 Sets amcunting in Sterling to						£	[2235 4 —]

Two thousand two hundred thirty five Pounds four shillings [...] of the two first of the above Bills has been received into Your Cash here; of the last into your Treasury.

We are

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LETTER TO S^{T}. HELENA. DATED [24] SEPTEMBER 1745.

[*Public Despatches to England Vol.* 15, *p.* 21.]

TO THE WORSHIP^{L}. DAVID DUNBAR ESQ^{R}.
GOVERNOUR, &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF S^{T}. HELENA

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS.

We have received your letter of the 22^{d}. March 1744.

Inclosed is Invoice and Bill of Lading for the rice sugar and arrack sent to you on this Ship the Benjamin,–We should have comply'd with your request by sending you some wax candles also but none being procurable at present We shall put them on board some of the Ships in January.

We are

FORT. S^{T}. GEORGE,
[24] SEPTEMBER 1745

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants.—
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
EDWARD FOWKE.

REGISTER OF DIAMONDS, PRECIOUS STONES &C^{A}. LICENCED BY THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE TO BE SHIPPED ON THE BENJAMIN [CAPTAIN] BENJAMIN WAY BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS IN RETURN FOR CORAL & ON OTHER ACCOUNTS.

By NICHOLAS MORSE Esq^{r}. RANDALL and EDWARD FOWKE consigned to FRANCIS SALVADOR—

[—] No. 11. One bulse of Diamonds value £ 649-6. 9 ... ... 1694 —[...]
In full returns for one chest of coral beads marked[—] N°. 11 Imported 1744 ℔ Winchester.

[—] N°. 11 One bulse of Diamonds value £ 350. 7 ... ... 9 [...]
In part return for one chest of coral marked [—] N° 11 Imported 1744 ℔ York.

By NICHOLAS MORSE Esq^{r}. RANDALL & EDWARD FOWKE consigned to JAMES PORTEN Esq^{r}.

GR N°. 63 One bulse of Diamonds, value £ 270. 1. 11 ... ... 704 [...]
In full returns for one chest of coral beads marked GR No. 63 imported 1744 ℔ Durrington.

By NICHOLAS MORSE Esq^{r}. consigned to BENJAMIN MENDES DA COSTA—

ME N°. 5 One bulse of Diamonds – – – Value £ 276. 16. 5, ... 722 [...]
In full returns for one chest of coral beads marked ME N°. 5 imported 1744 ℔ Prince of Wales.

By NICHOLAS MORSE Esq^{r}. account M^{r}. ROBERT LENNOX consigned to RICHARD BENYON Esq^{r}.

RL No. 1 One bulse of Diamonds value ... ... [115 ...]

By NICHOLAS MORSE Esq^{r}. consigned to RICHARD BENYON Esq^{r}. on account of NICHOLAS MORSE and WILLIAM MONSON Esq^{rs}.

MM N°. 1 One bulse of Diamonds . . Value ... ... 5001 [...]

By NICHOLAS MORSE Esq^{r}. and WILLIAM PERCIVAL consigned to RICHARD BENYON Esq^{r}.—

RB No. 1 One bulse of Diamonds — value ... ... 5000 [...]

By WILLIAM MONSON and CHARLES BODDAM consigned to CAPTAIN CHARLES BODDAM.—

CB No. One bulse of Diamonds ... value ... ... 1052 4.[...]

By GEORGE JONES and LIVI MOSES consigned to JOHN GODDARD and HENRY MOSES.—

[...] No. 3 One bulse of Diamonds — value 2793. 31. 40

	By WILLIAM PERCIVAL consigned to RICHARD BENYON and RICHARD WIAT Esq[rs].			
[... N°.] 1.	One Bulse of Diamonds value	1000	—	—
	By SOLOMON SALOMONS Consigned to ABRAHAM and JACOB FRANCO.			
[. . .]	Three Bulse of Diamonds value	10319	21	24
	Of which.			
	£1086. 1. 4 Pag[s]. 2833. 8. 5 is in full returns for a chest of Coral beads marked N°. 109 imported 1744 ℔ York.			
	£713. 4. Pag[s]. 1860. 18. 51 is in full returns for the F remains of a chest of Coral Beads marked A I N°. 4 imported 1744 ℔ York.			
	£383. 16 Pag[s]. 1001. 7. 68 is in full returns for F a Chest of Coral Beads marked R A N°. 2, imported 1744 ℔ Winchester.			
	£622–15–6 Pagodas 1624. 22. 60 is in full returns for F a chest of Coral Beads marked F D N°. 23 imported 1744 ℔ Duke of Dorset.			
	By RANDALL FOWKE and SONS, EDWARD and JOSEPH Consigned to JACOB SALVADOR.			
[..] N°. 1.	One Bulse of Diamonds value £2230. 14. 5	5819	9	79
	Of which.			
	£612. 2 Pag[s]. 1596. 19. 36 is in full return for a chest of Silver marked S G N°. 3, imported 1744 ℔ Prince William.			
	£577. 9. 5 Pag[s]. 1506. 16. 18 is in full returns for a box of Coral Beads marked R E N°. 1 imported S 1744 ℔ Duke of Dorset.			
	£90. 10. 1 Pag[s]. 236. 3. 43, is in full returns for a box of Coral Beads marked R E N°. 3 imported S 1744 ℔ Beaufort.			
	£367. 6 Pag[s]. 957. 16. 27 is in full returns for a box of Coral Beads marked S B N°. 3 imported 1744 ℔ Beaufort.			
	£180. 18. 10, Pag[s]. 472. 1 is in full returns for a box of Coral Beads marked R F N°. 2 imported 1744 ℔ F Beaufort.			
	£216.—5 Pag[s]. 563. 19. 17 is in full returns for a box of Coral Beads marked E N°. 8 imported 1744 Prince of Wales	—	—	—[...]
	£186. 15 Pag[s]. 487. 6. 18 is in full returns for a box of Amber Beads marked E N°. 11, imported 1744 ℔ Duke of Dorset	—	—	—[...]
	By RANDALL FOWKE and Sons, EDWARD and JOSEPH, Consigned to BENJAMIN MENDES DA COSTA.			
BMDC N°. 1.	One bulse of Diamonds value £1763. 4. 7	4599	—	[...]
	Of which.			
	£1216. 7. 6 Pag[s]. 3173. 5. 41 is in full returns for a box of Coral Beads marked N°. 12 imported 1744 ℔ Beaufort	—	—	—[...]
	£275. 13. Pag[s]. 719. 3. 34 is in full returns for a box of Coral Beads marked N°. 9, imported 1744 ℔ Prince William	—	—	—[...]
	£271. 4. 1 Pagodas 707. 17. 40, is in part returns for a box of Coral Beads marked B R N°. 5 imported 1744 ℔ Beaufort.			
	Pagodas ...	41072	3	[...]

FORT S[T]. GEORGE, 24[TH] SEPTEMBER 1745.

JOHN SAVAGE,
Sec[r].

REGISTER OF DIAMONDS, PRECIOUS STONES &C[a]. LICENCED BY THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL OF FORT S[t]. GEORGE, TO BE SHIPPED ON THE DOLPHIN, CAPTAIN CHARLES [PIGOT] BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS IN RETURN FOR CORAL AND ON OTHER ACCOUNTS VIZ[t].

	By NICHOLAS MORSE Esq[r]. RANDALL and EDWARD FOWKE consigned to JACOB SALVADOR.			
L [...] No. 16.	One bulse of Diamonds value £356. 10 ... ... In full returns for one chest of Coral Beads marked S L No. 16, imported 1743 ℔ Montfort.	930		—[...]
R [...] No. 2.	One bulse of Diamonds value £205. 19. 7 ... ... In full returns for one chest of Coral Beads marked S. F. No. 2, imported 1744 ℔ Winchester.	537	12	—
	By NICHOLAS MORSE Esq[r]. Consigned to JAMES PORTON Esq[r].			
[...] No. 60.	One bulse of Diamonds value £241. 5. 11 ... ... In full returns for one chest of branch Coral marked GR No. 60 imported 1744 ℔ Durrington.	629	16	74
[...] No. 65.	One bulse of Diamonds value £262. 13. 6 ... ... In full returns (or one chest of branch Coral marked GR No. 65 imported 1744 ℔ Beaufort.	685	8	53
	By NICHOLAS MORSE Esq[r]. consigned to BENJAMIN MENDES DA COSTA.			
[...] No. 6.	One bulse of Diamonds value £200. 11. 11 ... ... In full returns for one case of Coral Beads marked M E No. 6 imported 1744 ℔ Duke of Dorset.	523	10	56
	By NICHOLAS MORSE Esq[r]. consigned to RICHARD BENYON Esq[r]. on Account himself and WILLIAM MONSON.			
[...] No. 2.	One bulse of Diamonds value ... ... By NICHOLAS MORSE Esq[r]. Account ROBERT LENNOX Consigned to RICHARD BENYON Esq[r].	5000	—	—
[...] No. 2.	One bulse of Diamonds value ... ... By NICHOLAS MORSE Esq[r]. and WILLIAM PERCEVAL Consigned to RICHARD BENYON Esq[r].	1505	9	—
[...] No. 2.	One bulse of Diamonds value ... ... By GEORGE JONES & LEVI MOSES consigned to JOHN GODDARD & HENRY MOSES.	5000	—	—
[...] No. 4.	One bulse of Diamonds value	6000	—	—
	Pag[s]. ...	20,810	21	23

FORT S[T]. GEORGE, 24[TH] SEPTEMBER 1745.

JOHN SAVAGE,
Sec[ry].

ACCOUNT PRODUCE OF SUCH CHESTS OF CORAL, SILVER, &C[T]. FOR [WHICH—RE]MITTANCES ARE NOW MADE IN FULL ℔ BENJAMIN AND DOLPHIN.

		Remittances. £	S.	D.	Valuation in the Manifest. £	S.	D.
[...] No. 11.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Winchester.						
	Remitted.						
	By bulse—September 1745 ...	659	6	9	450	—	—
G R No. 63.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Durrington.						
	Remitted.						
	By bulse—September 1745 ...	271	1	11	*No Manifest.*		
M E No. 5.	One chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Prince of Wales.						
	Remitted.						
	By bulse—September 1745 ...	276	16	5	*200*	—[...]	

ACCOUNT PRODUCE OF SUCH CHESTS OF CORAL, SILVER, &c^{t}. FOR [WHICH—RE]MITTANCES ARE NOW MADE IN FULL ℔ BENJAMIN AND DOLPHIN—*cont.*

		Remittances. £.	S.	D.	Valuation in the Manifest. £.	S.	D.
⊕ N°. 109.	One chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ York. Remitted. By bulse—September 1745 ...	1086	1	4	860	—[...]	
F A I N°. 4.	One chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ York. Remitted. By bulse—January 1744–5 ... 292 2 6 By bulse—September 1745. 713 4 —	1005	6	6	800	—[...]	
F R A N°. 2.	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Winchester. Remitted. By bulse—September 1745 ...	383	16	—	350	—[...]	
F I D N°. 23.	One chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Duke of Dorset. Remitted. By bulse—September 1745 ...	623	15	6	470	—[...]	
S G A N°. 3.	One chest of Silver imported 1744 ℔ Prince William. Remitted. By bulse—September 1745 ...	612	—	2	2100	—[...]	
R S E N°. 1.	One Box of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Duke of Dorset. Remitted. By bulse—January 1744–5 ... 207 6 8 By bulse—September 1745. 577 9 5	784	16	1	610	—[...]	
RSE N°. 3.	One chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Beaufort. Remitted. By bulse—January 1744–5 ... 865 5 3 By bulse—September 1745. 90 10 1	955	15	4	780	—[...]	
[...] N°. 3	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Beaufort Remitted By bulse—January 1744–5 ... 416 6 2 By bulse—September 1745 ... 307 — 6	783	6	8	700	—	—
[...] 8	One chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Prince of Wales Remitted By bulse—September 1745 ...	216	—	5	100	—	—
[...]	One box of Amber Beads imported 1744 ℔ Duke of Dorset Remitted By bulse—September 1745 ...	186	15	—	150	—	—

[...]	N°. 2	One box of Coral Beads Imported 1744 ℔ Beaufort Remitted By bulse—September 1745 ...				1216	7	6	1095	— —
[...]	9	One box of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Prince William Remitted By bulse—September 1745 ...				275	13	—	255	— —
[...]	N°. 16	One box of Coral Beads imported 1743 ℔ Montfort Remitted By bulse—January 1744-5 ...	1288	17	10					
		By bulse—September 1745 ...	356	10	—					
						1645	7	10	1360	— —
[...]		One chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Winchester Remitted By bulse—January 1744-5 ...	652	17	6					
		By bulse—September 1745 ...	205	19	7					
						858	17	1	640	— —
[...]	N°. 60	One box of Branch Coral imported 1744 ℔ Durrington Remitted By bulse—September 1745 ...				241	5	11	No Manifest.	
[...]	N°. 65	One box of Branch Coral imported 1744 ℔ Beaufort Remitted By bulse—September 1745 ...				262	13	6	230	— —
[...]	N°. 6	One box of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Duke of Dorset Remitted By bulse—September 1745 ...				200	11	11	150	— —

Fort S[t]. George, 24[th]. September 1745

JOHN SAVAGE,
Secry.

MANIFEST OF PRIVATE TRADE ON BOARD SHIP BENJAMIN BOUND TO LONDON ACCOUNT OF AND BELONGING TO BENJAMIN [WAY].

COTTON YARN—						
8 Bales q[ts]. each 5 Maunds is	40 md.	at 18	℔ Maund	...	720	[...]
CAMPHIRE CHINA						
14 Casks of sundry sorts q[ty].						
Peculs.	50	at 27	℔ Pecul	...	1350	[...]
LONG CLOTH ORD[RY]. BLUE						
3 Bales Containing ...	20 Carge	at 23	℔ Corge	...	460	[...]
CANES						
40 Bundles containing ...	2700	at 8	℔ 100	...	21600	[...]
			Pagodas	...	2746	[...]

Fort S[t]. George, 23[d]. September [1745]

BENJAMIN WAY
Secry.

LETTER TO CAPTAIN BENJAMIN WAY DATED SEPTEMBER 25, 1745.

[*Public Despatches to England, Vol.* 15, *pp.* 28, 29.]

To CAPTAIN BENJAMIN WAY
COMMANDER OF SHIP BENJAMIN.

SIR,

You are hereby ordered to re[pair] on board your ship and make the best of your [way] to the Port of London in Great Britain. The f[irst] Port you arrive at in England you are to send your Purser overland with the packet herewith delivered you directed to the Honourable [the] Court of Directors for affairs of the Hon[ourable] the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies at their House in Leaden Hall Street, London, Taking [Care] to write to them yourself and to give them an account of [any] thing remarkable you may meet with in your voyage—

Our Honble Masters having ordered our President to give you the needfull Instructions for your Conduct in your homeward bound passage in the present situation of affairs in Europe we hereby enjoin and require your Strictest observance of such as you shall receive from him.

If you touch at the Cape it will be acceptable to the Governour and Council of S^{t}. Helena, that you carry them a Supply of Garden Seeds, Plants, &c^{t}.

We wish you a good voyage and date this in Fort S^{t}. George this 25th. day of September 1745.

With this we deliver you also a paper [Packet] directed and to be disposed of the same manner as the abovementioned.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
EDWARD FOWKE.

LIST OF BOOKS IN THE FORT S^{T}. GEORGE PACKET TO ENGLAND & BENJAMIN.

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Fort S^{t}. George, 24th. September 1745.

JOHN SAVAGE
Sec^{ry}.

LIST OF PAPERS IN THE FORT S^{T}. GEORGE PACKET TO ENGLAND PER BENJAMIN.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

[1] General letter ℔ Benjamin, dated 24th. September 1745.

[2] Duplicate General letter via Tranquebar, dated 14th. Sept^{r}. 1745.

[3] Duplicate General letter via Bussorah, dated 3^{d}. July 1745.

[4] Triplicate general letter ℔ Burrington and Beaufort dated 15th. Feb^{ry}. 1744/45.

[5] Invoice of the Benjamin's Cargo amounting to pagodas 123024. 3. 27.

[6] First Bill of Lading for the Benjamin's Cargo.

[7] Copy of the letter to S^{t}. Helena ℔ Benjamin, dated 24th. September 1745.

[8] Copy of the Invoice to S^{t}. Helena ℔ Benjamin amount^{s}. to pag^{s}. 183. 18. 68

[9] Bill of lading for S^{t}. Helena Goods ℔ Benjamin.

[10] Calculate of the Benjamin Tonnage.

[11] List of packing stuff in 1344 Bales of Coast and 51 Bales of Bengal Goods. ℔ Benjamin.

[12] Muster Roll of the Benjamin's Crew.

[13] List of the Benjamin's Ordnance and Warlike stores.

[14] Captain Way's manifest of private trade amount^{s}. to pagodas 2746.

[15] Copy of the Benjamin's dispatch dated 25th. September 1745.

[16] Register of Diamonds and Precious Stones licenced ℔ Benjamin.

[17] Register of Diamonds and Precious Stones licenced ℔ Dolphin.

[18] Account produce of such Chests of Coral &c^{t}. for which remittances are made in full ℔ Benjamin and Dolphin.

[19] Indent for Woolen goods for 1747.

[20] Import Warehouse Indent for Woolen goods for use and sale for 1747.

[21] Indent for Stores for 1747.

[22] Indent for the Assay Office for 1747.

[23] Indent for Medicines for 1747.

[24] List of persons who have died under the care of the Surgeons, with their distempers since 1st. January 1744/45.

[25] Register of Births, Christnings, Marriages and Burials te 24th. September [1745].

[26] Muster rolls of the Four Companies of Soldiers.

27. Muster roll of Peons and Country musick.

28. Muster roll of the Gunroom Crew.

29. List of Covenanted Servants on the Coast of Chormandel, 24th. September 1745.

30. List of Inhabitants, Women and Seafaring men.

31. List of Revenues from 1st. May 1744 to 30th, April 1745.

32. A Packet from the President and Council of Fort William to the Honourable Court of Directors received at Fort S^{t}. George the 13th. September 1745 ℔ Sloop Try [all]
In the Box apart.

33. Two second receipts for the Fort S^{t}. George packet per [Dolphin] and Beaufort.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
24TH. SEPT^{R}. 1745.

JOHN SAVAGE,
Secry.

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED SEPTEMBER [25] 1745.

[*Public Despatches to England, Vol.* 15, *p.* 33.]

TO THE HONOURABLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HONOURABLE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES.

HONOURABLE.

Since closing our General Advices by this Ship our Accountant and Storekeeper have settled with the Agent Victualer of Commodore Barnett's Squadron for the salt provisions sent out on the Benjamin and others supplied by us here to the amount of Pags. 10092. 22^{fas}. 27^{ca}. making at 14$\frac{3}{4}$ Dollar weight for 10 Pags. Dollars 14886. 9625 which at 6s. 6d. per Dollar produces sterling £ 4838. 5^{s}. 3$\frac{1}{4}^{d}$.

For this last sum Your Honours have here inclosed the First of Four Bills of Exchange of this date drawn on the Honourable the Commissioners for Victualing his Majesty's Navy at the Victualing Office London, by M^{r}. Richard Rosewell, the Agent Victualer of this squadron Certified by Commodore Barnett, and payable to your Honours or order at thirty days sight.

We are
HONOURABLE
Your faithfull humble servants

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE,
[25] SEPTEMBER 1745.

NICHOLAS MORSE
&C^{T}. COUNCIL.

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY DATED OCTOBER [6] 1745.

[*Public Despatches to England, Vol.* 15 *pp.* 34–39.]

THE HONOURABLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HONOURABLE THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES.

HONOURABLE

Para 1. We paid our respects by the [Benjamin] under the 24th and 25th. of last month. This wai[ts upon] you by your own ship Dolphin of who[se] arrival your honours have been before ad[vised] and of the impracticability of her proceeding [to] China according to the Directions received [from you] and that in the circumstances of your [affairs] here it was judged most for your interest [to] return her to Europe particularly as no[other] ship appeared to take on board any part of number of Bales we had in our Warehouse.

2. Captain Pigot acquainting that he could not make his ship sail worthy [unless] he had an additional quantity of saltpetre we have therefore laden on her twenty six [tons] thirteen hundred weight and twenty seven [pounds] surplus of what the other ships are to take [as their] Charterparty. As she is by her built so very [small] we find she is not able to carry any more [than] Tons 291. 18. 2. 11, including the Captain's Priviledge and the Captain assures us all imaginable care has [been taken] of the stowage and that there was reserved for her in particular a large number of small Bales. Cons. 1745 2 Sept.

3. We have received from him his Stock Chest and sundry stores which He thought unnecessary to Carry back to Europe to the amount of £ 1300, 14. 2 [...] for which we shall credit account current, London, as we shall debt that head for the money and stores we have supplied him here to the amount of Pags. 970. 12. 10, his request and receipts for which come in the packet. Cons. 1745 2^{d}. Sept. 5 Oct.

4. Captain Pigot acquainting that he should find difficulty in stowing away any Leaguers of Arrack for S^{t}. Helena we have not sent any stores by her for the use of that Island, beleiving also it might be more receptable to fill her up as much as possible with Goods for Europe. Cons. 1745 28th Sept.

5. The 28th. of last month arrived your ship Sumatra with seventy Bales from Ganjam and two hundred eighty five from Vizagapatam. The next day came in the Success from Ingeram with four hundred thirty four bales and we are in hourly expectation of the Morton from Madapollam with two hundred more. L^{rs}.Recd 1745 N^{o}. 147, 153 L^{rs}.Recd 1745 N^{o}. 156.

[Cons^ns.]1745 [. .] Sept. [Ltrs] sent 1745 No. 150.

6. Finding that we might expect to have upwards of four thousand Bales by the end of January we have in our Letter by the Tryall sloop notified to the President and Council of Fort William that there will be three thousand six hundred Bales ready for the shipping they may send us in December.

Cons. 1745 28 Sept. Lrs sent, 1745 No. 150.

7. As we are writing on this subject [we] cannot but express our Concern that we are not able [to] give your Honours any Account of your other [ships] however we hope they will all happily arrive in [safety] and though the season is now so far advanced that [there is] little reason to expect them here yet that they may [reach] Bengall in time for this year's dispatch, we have mentioned to the gentlemen there the necessity of [sending] us a part of the treasure without which it will be no [more] in our power to carry on your Investment on th[em] What the Dolphin brought us will serve us [but some] time longer and the advances to our merchants [have] lessened considerably even for the two successive [months] if no ships should drop in. for we have little or [no] Expectation of any further Loans; but as these arise from Accidents not in our power to help, as nothing has been omitted by us to make [your investment] as considerable as possible. We persuade [ourselves] your honours will accept of our best endeavours in your service and that our behaviour in [those] of your affairs will fully demonstrate to [you our] great care and assiduity in it.

8. The Nabob has sent his orders [to] the Several parts of the Country for the repayment the Pagodas of a new Stamp which coining at Allumparra of Eighty Touch and has received a letter from him on the O[. . .]fying his desire that they may be current i[n Madras.] to which we shall return answer that the money [which] the Surcar Mints has for many years been so mu[ch] debased and the Touch varied at the pleasure of the Co[iners] that we must desire to be excused till we are better Satis[fied] that the touch of those pagodas will be kept up. There have been Several Trials of this nature before which have all fail'd as this will probably and therefore we have the less reason to imagine this Order will affect the currency of our star pagodas, for the reputation of the Surcar Mints is very low and it must require time to retrieve it.

9. The Dutch have also of late been endeavouring to imitate our Pagodas of Three Images called the Madrass to pass at their settlements to the Northward as the French did before them, but with no more Success, for they were all returned and melted down the Shroffs having discovered the Imposition at first Sight.

Cons. 1745 28. Sept.

10. We have Sent by all your Vessels that have Returned to Bengal some Redwood, but as none of your ships from Europe have Arrived we have not had an Opportunity of sending the quantity the Gentlemen there have desired, on which Account we are under a necessity of Sending your ship Sumatra least they should be disappointed of a Sufficient stock for the Shipping She was otherwise intended for the West Coast but as we have Sent thither pretty large supplies this Year we judge it can be no great inconvenience to them to wait till January.

11. The two small vessels the Mermaid and Advice Snow are employed in your service under particular direction of your President.

Cons. 1745 28th. Sept. Lrs. sent 1745, No. 150.

12. If the London should be empl[oyed on] any freight voyage from Bengal Your Hono[urs will] observe in our Letters thither that we have desired would send up the silver you have directed to be [forwarded] to China and likewise such part of her car[go as] was laden on board her in London for that port. [As] soon as any Tinn and Redwood are procurable [we] shall secure those articles and dispatch her early [in this] season for China.

Diary 1745 1, 2 Oct^r.

13. M^r. Randall Fowke, late one of [the] Council died the 1^st. instant as did M^rs. Cath[arine Gyfford] the same day, and the following the Reverend [James] Feild by which accident we are at present wi[thout a] Chaplain.

Cons. 1745 6th. Oct. Lrs. Reed 1745 No. 160.

4. Since writing the foregoing the [Morton] is come in with two hundred and eleven 211 Bales.

15. The invoice and bill of lading for Dolphin's copper being gone in her packet [from] Bay our Warehousekeeper cannot remark any differences in the Package, Weight or Tale, but has given the Captain a Receipt for its turnout here [being] two hundred and three hundred weights one quarter [203 1]. Cons. 1745 6 Oct. Cwt, Qr.

16. The amount of the Dolphin's Cargo is] eighty six thousand nine hundred sixty six [pagodas] eight fanams and twenty nine Cash 86966. 8. 29 and the Diamonds and Precious Stones registered by [her since] the dispatch of the Benjamin sixteen thousand four hundred seventy two pagodas thirteen fanams and twenty nine cash 16472. 13. 29 of Captain Pigot's manifest of his homeward bound Adventure [two] thousand seven hundred thirty four 2734 pagodas.

17. The Ballance of cash remaining here this day consists of fourteen thousand five hundred seventy one current pagodas fifteen fanams twenty one cash 14571. 15. 21 and eight hundred forty one 841 Madrass Pagodas.

We are

HONOURABLE
Your faithful humble servants

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
[6] OCTOBER 1745.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
EDWARD FOWKE.

LETTER TO S^{T}. HELENA, DATED OCTOBER 6, 1745.

[*Public Despatches to England, Vol.* 15, *p.* 40.]

TO THE WORSHIP^{E} DAVID DUNBAR ESQ^{R}.
GOVERNOUR &C^{T}. COUNCIL OF S^{T}. HELENA.

WORSH^{L}. SIR AND SIRS

This is chiefly to inclose duplicate of what we wrote you the 24th. Ultimo by the Benjamin and of the invoice of Stores Sent you on that Ship, as also to advise that the Dolphin being So Small we do not send you any Supply by her.

We are

WORSH^{L}. SIR AND SIRS
Your most humble servants

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
6TH. OCTOBER 1745.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
EDWARD FOWKE.

ADDITIONAL REGISTER OF DIAMONDS, PRECIOUS STONES &C^{A}. LICENCED BY THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE TO BE SHIPPED ON THE DOLPHIN, CAPTAIN CHARLES PIGOT, BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS IN RETURN FOR CORAL AND ON OTHER ACCOUNTS, VIZ^{T}.

By WILLIAM PERCIVAL Consigned to RICHARD BENYON and RICHARD WIAT Esq^{RS}.

W P N^{O}. 2. One bulse of Diamonds, value ... ...P. 1000 — —

By RANDALL FOWKE and SONS EDWARD and JOSEPH consigned to JACOB SALVADORE.

I S N^{O}. 2. One bulse of Diamonds, value 3666 30 45
Of which £ 450. 18. 1 or Pag^{s}. 1176. 9. 67, is in full returns for a Chest of Coral Beads marked R E S N^{O}. 5, imported Ψ York, 1744.

£ 954. 14. 5 or Pag^{s}. 2490. 20. 58 is in full returns for a chest of Coral Beads marked S B N°. 1 imported 1744 ♆ Prince of Wales.

By Randall Fowke and Sons, Edward and Joseph, Consigned to Benjamin Mendes Da Costa.

[. . .] N. 2. One bulse of Diamonds, value 4269 21 70

Of which £ 1163. 15. 11 or Pag^{s}. 3035. 35. 70., is in full returns for a chest of Coral Beads marked ✡. N°. 11, imported 1744 ♆ Duke of Dorset.

£ 472. 17. 8, or Pag^{s}. 1233. 22 is in full returns for a chest of Coral Beads marked ✡ N°. 8, imported 1744 ♆ Prince of Wales.

By Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. for Robert Lennox Consigned to Richard Benyon Esq^{r}.

[. . .] N. 3. One bulse of Diamonds, value 2001 10 10

By Randall Fowke and Sons, Edward and Joseph Consigned to Jacob Salvadore.

E N°. 3 One bulse of Diamonds, value £ 308. 13. 11 ... 961 29 53

In full returns for a Chest of Coral beads marked E. N°. 10, imported Anno 1744 ♆ Beaufort.

By Edward and Joseph Fowke Consigned to Natal Levi Sonsino.

L S N°. 4 One bulse of Diamonds, value £ 216. 5. 11 ... ... 564 8 78

In full returns for a box of Rough Coral marked L S N°. 4 imported 1737 ♆ Duke of Dorset.

N°. 2 One bulse of Diamonds, value £ 192. 11. 4 ... 502 [— —]

In full returns for a box of Rough Coral marked—— N°. 2, Imported 1737 ♆ Nottingham.

By Edward and Joseph Fowke consigned to John Anthony and Henry Loubier and James Teissier.

L S N°. 12 One bulse of Diamonds value £ 194. — 11 ... ... 50 — [—]

In full returns for a box of Rough Coral marked L S N°. 12, Imported 1739 ♆ Lynn.

By Edward Fowke, consigned to Thomas Waters.

W F H N°. 5 One bulse of Diamonds, value 300

Pagodas. 16472

Fort S^{t}. George
6th. October 1745.

John Savage
Secy.

Additional account produce of such Chests of Coral, Silver &c^{a}. for which remittances are now made in full ♆ Dolphin.

R L S N°. 5 One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ♆ York.

Remitted

By bulse October 1745 ... ... 450 18 1 385 — —

S B N°. 1 One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ♆ Prince of Wales.

Remitted

By bulse October 1745 ... ... 954 14 5 790 — —

[...] One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ♆ Duke of Dorset.

Remitted

By bulse October 1745 ... ... 1163 15 11 990 — —

N°. 8 One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ♆ Prince of Wales.

Remitted

By bulse February 1744/5 ... ... 646 11 1

By Bulse October 1745 ... ... 472 17 8

1119 8 9 960 — —

E No. 10	One Chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Beaufort.						
	REMITTED						
	By bulse October 1745	368	13	11			
	One chest of Rough Coral imported 1737 ℔ Duke of Dorset.						
	REMITTED						
	By bulse October 1745	216	5	11	176	—	—
[...]	One Chest of Rough Coral imported 1737 ℔ Nottingham.						
	REMITTED						
	By Bulse October 1745	192	11	4	173	—	—
[...] N 12	One Chest of Rough Coral imported 1739 ℔ Lynn.						
	REMITTED						
[...]	By bulse October 1745	194	—	11	181	—	—

FORT ST. GEORGE, [. . .]
[. . .]

MANIFEST OF PRIVATE TRADE LADEN BY ME ON THE DOLPHIN AS MY ADVENTURE HOMEWARD BOUND.

Stick lack	18	bags	P. 240	—	—
Camphire	24	Huds and Punks ...	2494	—	—
			Pags. 2734	—	—

FORT ST. GEORGE 5TH. OCTOBER 1745

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ CHARLES PIGOT [COMMANDER.]

LETTER TO CAPTAIN CHARLES PIGOT, DATED OCTOBER 6, 1745.

[*Public Despatches to England, Vol.* 15, p. 44].

TO CAPTAIN CHARLES PIGOT
COMMANDER OF THE DOLPHIN

SIR

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your ship and make the best of your way to the Port of London in Great Britain, The first port you arrive at in England you are to send your Purser overland with the packet herewith delivered you [directed] to the Honourable the Court of Directors for Affairs of the Hoñble the United Company of Merchants of England [trading] to the East Indies at their House in Leaden Hall Street, [London] taking care to write to them Yourself and to give them an account [of any] thing remarkable you may meet with in your Voyage.

Our Hoñble Masters having order'd [our President] to give you the needful Instructions for Your conduct in your [homeward] bound passage in the present situation of affairs in Europe [we hereby] enjoin and require your strictest Observance of such as you shall [receive] from him.

If you touch at the Cape it will be acceptable to the Governour and Council of St. Helena that you carry them a [supply of] garden seeds, plants &c^{t}.

We wish you a good voyage and date this in [Fort St. George This] 6th. day of October 1745.

NICHOLAS MORSE
&C^{A}. COUN^{LL}.

LIST OF BOOKS IN THE FORT S^{T}. GEORGE PACKET TO ENGLAND ℔ DOLPHIN FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

N. 1.	Diaries and Consultations	... 1745	... From 24th. Sept. To 6th. Oct.	1745
2.	Letters Received ...	... 1745, N^{os}. 153 to 160.	From 24th. Sept. To 6th. Oct.	1745
3.	Letters Sent ...	... 1745 N^{o}. 149 to N^{o}. 152.	From 24th. Sept. To 6th. Oct.	1745
4.	Cash Accounts ...	... 1745	... From 1st. Sept. To 6th. Oct.	1745
5.	Ship Book	... 1745	... From 24th. Sept. To 6th. Oct.	1745
6.	Paymaster's Account Current.	1745	... For August ...	1745

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE, 6TH. OCTOBER 1745

JOHN SAVAGE.
Sec^{ry}.

LIST OF THE PAPERS IN THE FORT S^{T}. GEORGE PACKET TO ENGLAND PER DOLPHIN.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

[1.] General Letter ℔ Dolphin dated 6th. October 1745.
[2.] Duplicate separate letter ℔ Benjamin dated 25th. Sept. 1745.
[3.] Second Bill of Exchange on the Commissioners for victualing the Navy for £ Sterling 4838. 5. 3¼ certified by Commodore Barnet.
[4.] Duplicate general letter ℔ Benjamin dated 24th. Sept. 1745.
[5] Triplicate general letter via Tranquebar, dated 14 Sept. 1745.
[6.] Triplicate general letter via Bussorah dated 3rd. July 1745.
[7.] Invoice of the Dolphin's Cargo amounting to Pags. 86,966. 8. 29.
[8.] Duplicate Invoice of the Benjamin's Cargo amounting to Pags. 123024. 3. 27.
[9.] First bill of lading for the Dolphin's Cargo.
[10.] Second bill of lading for the Benjamin's Cargo.
11. Copy of the letter to S^{t}. Helena ℔ Dolphin dated 6th. October 1745.
12. Duplicate copy of the letter to S^{t}. Helena ℔ Benjamin, dated 24th. Sept. 1745.
13. Duplicate copy of the Invoice to S^{t}. Helena ℔ Benjamin.
14. Register of diamonds and precious stones licenced ℔ Dolphin to the dispatch of the Benjamin.
15. Additional Register of diamonds and precious stones licenced per Dolphin since the dispatch of the Benjamin.
16. Duplicate Register of diamonds and precious stones licenced ℔ Benjamin.
17. Duplicate account produce of such Chests of Coral &c^{t}. for which remittances are made in full ℔ Benjamin and Dolphin.
18. Additional account produce of such chests of Coral &c^{a}. for which remittances are made in full ℔ Dolphin.
19. Duplicate indent for Woolen Goods for 1747.
20. Duplicate Import Warehouse indent for goods for use and sale for 1747.
21. Duplicate Indent for stores for 1747.
22. Duplicate Indent for the Assay Office for 1747.
23. Duplicate Indent for medicines for 1747.
24. List of persons who have died under the care of the surgeons with their distempers since 1st. January 1744/45.
25. Register of Births, Christnings, Marriages and Burrials 24th. Sept. [...]
26. Muster Rolls of the four companies of soldiers.
27. Muster Roll of the gunroom crew.
28 Muster Roll of peons and Country Musick.

29. List of Covenanted Servants on the Coast of Chormandel, 6th. October [1745.]
30. List of Inhabitants, Women and Seafaring men.
31. List of Revenues from 1st. May 1744 to 30th. April 1745.
32. Surgeon of the Dolphin's first receipt for Headmoney on 10 Soldiers.
33. Captain Way's second receipt for the Fort St. George packets ℔ Benjamin.
34. Calculate of the Dolphin's Tonage.
35. List of packing stuff in 870 bales of coast goods per Dolphin.
36. Muster roll of the Dolphin's crew.
37. List of the Dolphin's ordnance and warlike stores.
38. Captain Pigot's manifest of his homeward bound adventure amounting [to Pgs. 2734].
39. Captain Pigot's request for money and stores on Account of Ship [Dolphin].
40. Captain Pigot's First Receipt for Pags. 750 advanc'd him here on Account ship Dolphin.
41. Captain Pigot's first receipt for Stores supplied him here for the use of ship Dolphin.
42. Account of the valuation of Stores and Treasure delivered from the Dolphin.
43. Manifest of presents &cs. licenced ℔ Dolphin.
44. Copy of the Dolphin's Dispatch.

FORT ST. GEORGE, 6TH. OCTOBER 1745.

JOHN SAVAGE
Secry.

LIST OF THE HONOURABLE COMPANY'S REVENUES IN FORT ST. GEORGE AS THEY HAVE PRODUCED FROM 1ST. MAY 1744 TO 30TH. APRIL 1745.

FIXED REVENUES.

[BEETLE] AND TOBACCO FARM. The Cowle granted to Trivetee Sashachelum and Subramoney Chitty for five years, commencing 5th. September 1740 ending 5th. September 1745 at twelve monthly payments	10000	—	—
[ARRACK] AND WINE LICENCE. The cowle granted to Ahmud Cawn Taran and Hajeejee Cawn Taran for five years commencing 5th. December 1742, ending 5th. December 1747 at twelve monthly payments	4020	—	—
BROKERAGE. The cowle granted to Gongodarah Eyah, Sombyah and Quotambaucum Gruapah, for five years commencing 5th. September 1740 ending 5th. September 1745 at two half yearly payments	700	—	—
MEASURING FARM. The cowle granted to Gongadarah Eyah, Sombyah and Quotambaucum Gruapah, for five years commencing 20th. September 1740 ending 20th. September 1745 at Six equal payments ...	1000	—	—
FISHING FARM. The cowle granted to choultree Moodellee &ct. Macquars for five years, commencing 25th. March 1739 ending 25th. March 1744 at two half yearly payments	50	—	—
EGMORE &CA. VILLAGES. The cowle granted to Manawaucum Chintomby and Pegue Nella Chitty for twelve years, commencing 1st. July 1735 ending 1st. July 1747 at one yearly payment	1450	—	—
TRIVATORE &CT. VILLAGES. The cowle Granted to Linga Chitty and Berry Timapa for twelve years commencing 16th. October 1741 ending 16th. October 1753 at one yearly payment	1230	—	—
PADDY FIELDS AND SALT PANS. The cowle granted to Berry Timapa and Gaunapa Moodelaire for five years, commencing 22d. May 1742 ending 22d. May 1747 at one yearly payment	7	[...]	

Ruby Brokerage.					
The cowle granted to Nairoo Rayloo, and Nairoo Vencatachilam for five years commencing 10th. June 1744 ending 10th. June 1749 at four quarterly payments					[...]
Butteca Rent and Shroff Duty.					
The cowle granted to Diddee Gruapah for five years commencing 1st. May 1743 ending 1st. May 1748 at four quarterly payments				4	[...]
Banksal Duties.					
The cowle granted to Serchary Veraugua Nalla Tomby Chitty and Jereguda Tagapah the twenty seventh day of February, for two years commencing 1st. January 1743/4 ending 1st. January 1745/6 at two half yearly payments				400	— —
Gardens.					
The cowle granted to Ravinapah for five years commencing 1st. November 1743 ending 1st. November 1748, at two half yearly payments				250	— —
				20720	— —

Variable Revenues.

Land Customs from 1st. May 1744 to 30th. April 1745	Pags.	3298	11	13		
Sea Customs	Ditto	34,789	18	1		
Town & Pettah	In Pagodas	2755	1	10		
	Mint Customs Dº.					
	In A.Rs. 2933. 3 @ 335 per 100 Pags.	875	18	60		
Quit rent the amount of ye assessments ends. 31st. August 1744		2348	20	—	44066	33 4
	Pagodas...				64786	33 4

General letter to the Company, dated October 17, 1745.

[*Public Despatches to England, Vol.* 15, *p.* 50.]

To the Honourable the Court of Directors for Affairs of the Honourable the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies.

Honourable

We have paid our Respects by several opportunitys this year, to which we beg leave to refer for the particular accot. of your Affairs. This waites on you by way of Aleppo, which we judg'd the most speedy method for imparting to Your Honours what we esteem of too much consequence to be omitted, which is that your Investments both on this Coast and at Bengal have been very considerable, and that an early supply will be greatly wanted for the well carrying on your Business as we presume you will readily imagine from this relation.

We are not yet so happy as to be able to acquaint you that any more of your ships have yet been heard of since our advices of the arrival of the Dolphin [here] the 17th. of August.

We are,
Honourable
Your faithful humble servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Edward Fowke.

Fort St. George,
17th. October 1745.

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED DECEMBER 23, 1745.

[*Public Despatches to England, Vol.* 15, *pp.* 51, 52.]

TO THE HONOURABLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HONOURABLE THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES.

HONOURABLE

We send this to Tellicherry to be forwarded on your shipping from that side in order to acquaint you of the arrival of your ships Royal George, Scarborough, Kent, Lincoln and Admiral Vernon at this port the 11th. instant under convoy of his Majesty's ships Harwick and Winchester. This we doubt not will be very agreable to Your Honours as it is to us to be furnished with a supply of Money to carry on your business, and which we shall endeavour to improve for your benefit. Two of these ships the Lincoln and Admiral Vernon will be sent from hence and the other three dispatched to Bengall unless the Gentlemen there should send us up some Bales when we shall do our utmost to fill up a third ship, knowing the advantage that may arise to you from it.

The Morattas it's reported have accepted of Nazam's Offer of seven Lack of Rupees for this Province, which we hope will prove true, that the country may thereby continue undisturbed and the Investment go on with success.

The Essex parted company with the London the 29 June 80 Leagues to the Westward of the Cape and Royal George with the Princess Mary the 17th. of July in Latitude 28 south, which is all the account we can give you of them at present.

We are
Honourable
Your faithful humble servants

NICHOLAS MORSE
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
EDWARD FOWKE.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
23D. DECEMBER 1745.

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED JANUARY 31, 1746.

1ST. ℔ LINCOLN.
2D. ℔ EDGEBASTON.
3D. ℔ ADMIRAL VERNON.

[*Public Despatches to England, Vol.* 15, *pp.* 53–84.]

TO THE HONOURABLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HONOURABLE THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES.

HONOURABLE

1. Your Ship Dolphin sailed the 8th. October last with our address under the 6th. of that month and We have wrote Your Honour since two letters dated the 17th. of that month and 23d. December; of all which We send copies herewith. Consns. 1745 17th. Octor. 23 Decr.

2. Having in the last of these letters advised only of the arrival of your ships from England, we are to acknowledge here the receipt of your commands by them dated 7th. Febry. 1744/5 as also copies of your letters to the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort Marlbrough dated 29 June 1744 and 31st. January following; to the former of which we now proceed to give answer under the usual Heads advising at the same time of occurrences that have happened since the Dolphin's dispatch. [. . .]

FIRST, CONCERNING SHIPPING.

Lrs. from England dated 7 Febry. 1744-5. par. 5.

3. We shall be carefull to give the necessary orders to the Chief and Council at Vizagapatam for taking a particular account of what goods may be landed from any of your ships that may call in there and duely to collect the customs thereupon, as also to send us an account of what cotton or other articles the Captains may put aboard for the Bengal market in order to transmit the same to Your Honours.

Lrs. from England dated 7 Febry: par. 6.

4. When any short deliveries of Europe goods happen We will not fail to advise Your Honours, as also carefully to follow your orders about inspecting the package and endorsing the Items off the Bills of Lading.

par. 7.

5. We hope to give Your Honours no occasion of complaint for any neglect on our parts in respect to the dispatch of your ships; we are very sensible of the Heavy charge which attends a delay of this nature and how much it requires us to provide against it.

par. 8

6. We shall be sure to comply with your directions in this Paragraph for not encreasing your risque beyond seventy to eighty thousand Pounds on one bottom as also for sending any surplus goods at half freight whenever we have more than sufficient for the Tonage on hand.

Lrs. Sent 1745 No. 155
Lrs. Recd. 1746 No. 19.

7. Agreably to our resolution [of sending] the Sumatra with Redwood to Bengal she sailed he[nce the 8th.] October and we hear is safe arrived there on the same day —likewise the Advice Snow put to sea under orders from the President.

Consns. 1745 4 Novr. Lrs. Sent 1745 No. 170. Lrs. Recd. 1745 No. 191.

8. On the great uncertainty we were [in] from your ships not arriving in time we judged it highly for your interest to send some instructions to Mr. Prince at Vizagapatam, that should they fall in there as was the case a few years ago, proper measures might be taken for returning them in the season to Europe. Our President had notified also to Mr. Braddyll this step for his Government both in respect to the disposal of such of them as might be provided for in the Bay and of the Bullion they might bring out.

Consns. 1745 11 Novr. Lrs. Recd., 1745 No. 172. Lrs. sent, 1745 Nos. 172, 173, 174, 175. Consns. 1746 11 & 13 Janry. Lrs. Recd. 1746 Nos. 8, 17, 18, 26.

9. The Princess Augusta on her return from the West Coast fell in with Columbo from whence the Captain advised us of his intention to proceed for Anjengo to wait our orders which were accordingly sent thither and to Tellicherry. He was directed thereby to go to Cochin and lie there till the gentlemen at Tellicherry should advise of it's being safe to proceed on thither, but we have since received the disagreable account of a Ship being taken by Angria off Cochin, which there is too much room to fear must be her. It is some satisfaction, however, to add that, if it does prove so your estate will suffer no other Loss than the Hull—Captain Goring who had the command of this ship before was taken ill at Bengal so that she came up from thence in charge of the Chief Mate; however he sent us a Letter requesting that he might be continued in her; but as in his last Trip to the West Coast he gave us great cause of complaint by notorious Breach of orders and in taking to his private use a large part of the ship's tonage, we have determined to dismiss them from your service as well as to demand freight on his exceedings of priviledges.

Cons. 1745 7 March.

Consns. 1745 20 Decr.

10. Captain Westcott acquainting us that he had on board his ship two bales of Russia Duck, two chests of Stationary and a cask of Lamps which he beleiv'd were intended to be sent out by the London for our use, we directed him to send the same ashore and have given him a receit.

Consns. 1745 14 and 16 Decr.

Lrs. Recd. 1745 No. 191.

11. The Scarbrough and Royal George having no part of their cargoes to deliver here except stores for his Majesty's Squadron we resolved to send them on to Bengal with the first opportunity of a fair wind in order to save their dispatch, if possible, for Europe and the Kent was designed for a third Ship thither, but on receiving advice in the mean time from thence that the gentlemen had taken the Edgebaston from the Bombay side to load home directly, Captain Robson was ordered to prepare for going to Tellicherry in her room; but the ship being represented to have a leak we ordered a survey to be taken of her, by the report of which it was declared unsafe for her to proceed for Europe without a further examination in a port proper for that purpose; whereupon we were under a necessity of delivery Captain Robson a protest and he is sailed since for Bengal to repair the leak.

Cons. 1745 29, 31 Dec. Cons. 1746 1st, 6th Janry.

12. Captain Webster of the Admiral Vernon dying the 17th. December Mr. Edmund Cooke, the Chief Mate succeeded to the command of the ship and administration of the deceased's affairs. It was the 10th. instant before we could possibly get the ship unloaded and her saltpetre and redwood on board, though we assisted her with forty people out of our gunroom. She was dispatch'd the next day for Fort St. David having first taken in one hundred and fifty bales towards her cargo for Europe which is to be compleated there except a few bales of fine goods not ready then, which on account of dividing the sortments will be forwarded by a sloop to her. Consns. 1745 20 Decr. 27 Decr. Cons. 1746 1st, 6th, 9th Janry. Lrs. Sent. 1746 No. 89.

13. The Lincoln is the other ship we have pitched upon to return to your Honours. Consns. 1745 16 Decr.

14. The Governour & Council of [St. Helena] have transmitted to us an indent of [Sundries wanted] there, which we furnish them with by these [ships]. Consns. 1745 27 Decr. Lrs. Reed 1745 No. 192.

15. Your Brigantine Mermaid has brought up seventy Bales from Vizagapatam; the Success three hundred fifty one bales from Ingeram and one hundred fifty eight from Madapollam and we are in hourly expectation of a vessel from Vizagapatam with a further quantity. Lrs. Reed. 1746 Nos. 4, 10, 12,

16. As the ships now in dispatch will take away all the saltpetre we have in store we have wrote to the gentlemen at Bengal for a considerable supply to lie by us in readiness having hopes of sending you two ships in September. Consns. 1745 29 Decr. Lrs. Sent, 1746 No. 1 Consns. 1746 6 Janry.

17. Your Ships Fort St. George and Elizabeth were dispatch'd for Europe from Anjengo the 10th. of last month and we have advice that the Northampton passed Malacca in June in her way to China. Lrs. Reed, 1746 No. 18

18. The Wager we understand was to leave Bengal about the 25th. of this month by the Letters which the Edgebaston brought us who imported here the 23d. Instant. What we have to say concerning the latter ship shall come in the Supplement. Private advices.

Secondly, concerning Goods from Europe or from one part of India to be dispos'd of in another.

19. As the coining your silver into Arcot Rupees in our own mint cannot but be very beneficial to your Interest from the Security it affords of having your money within ourselves and ensuring the goodness of the coin, we shall do our utmost to preserve to Your Honours an [Advantage] of such consequence, but we are sorry to acquaint you that your President has lately received a Letter from the Nabob forbidding us to continue to do so; before that Letter came to hand we had been so fortunate as to coin all your Silver for the Bay in this specie which has obtained such credit there that our Arcot Rupee is esteemed preferable in Payments to those of the Surcar or Nabob's Mints notwithstanding these latter are of a higher Touch. This consideration alone will quicken our endeavours to satisfy the Nabob on this head if possible, whose demand we apprehend is chiefly founded on the almost total failure of Silver from Manilha and the Ports of Bussora, Mocha and Judda since the commencement of the war occasioning so considerable a deficiency in his revenues that we must expect to find him less inclined to favour us in this Article. Par. 11. Cons. 1746 13 Janry.

20. Tomby Chitty, Molinga Kistna and Ponapa Chitty have lessen'd their ballances yearly from the benefit of the Indulgence you have been pleased to grant them. The former has paid in this year three thousand (3000) pagodas only, which we accepted for reasons mentioned in Consultation whereto we beg leave to refer. The two last have also paid in one thousand 1000, Pagodas each who we are fearful will not be in a capacity of discharging the whole; nevertheless Your Honours may be assured of our best care to recover all that is possible from them. Par. 12. Consns. 1746 13 & 23 Janry.

21. We send now by these ships a parcel of old guns and shall observe to do the like by Anchors when any prove unserviceable on the Captains agreeing to take them freight free. Par. 15. Cons. 1746 6 Janry.

22. The amount of the Bale of Camblets mentioned in this Paragraph shall be [adjusted in our] general books according to your orders. Par. 16.

Consns. 1745 12, 14 Decr. Consns. 1746, 9, 23 Janry.

23. We return Your Honours thanks for the supply of Madeira wine you have been pleased to send us on the Lincoln. Your correspondents at that place have doubtless inform'd you that neither she or the Scarbrough could take in the quantity you ordered for the two Presidencies. We disposed at Outcry of forty pipes at the average price of fifty five pagodas two fanams and thirty eight cash 55. 2. 38 each and the remainder will go off soon.

Lrs. Recd. 1745 No. 191 Consns. 1745 16 Decr. Consns. 1746, 9 & 23 Janry.

24. The gentlemen in Bengal finding great difficulty in getting off their Copper and Lead we have taken ashore here what the Lincoln and Admiral Vernon brought out for that Presidency as also the parcel of Lead aboard the Kent. We made sale likewise at Outcry of One thousand 1000 Candies of the Lead and two hundred and sixty 260 Candies of the copper, which produced; the former thirteen pagodas twenty two fanams and sixty seven cash 13. 22. 67 ℔ candy and the latter eighty three pagodas three fanams and sixteen cash 83. 3. 16. average prices. The sale turn'd out beyond our expectations and we hope will be pleasing to Your Honours. We likewise sold some embossed cloth and shauls the latter seemed to be liked well and sold accordingly.

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25. Immediately after the arrival of the ships from Europe we put One hundred and five 105, Chests of your bullion into the Mint for Bengal and have forwarded thither by the Scarbrough, Royal George and Kent two hundred thousand 200,000 Madrass Rupees and six hundred and eighty thousand 680,000 Arcot, which is the utmost we could spare at this time under the want of the additional quantity on board the London and Princess Mary. It amounts to some what more than half the value of the silver received and we beg Your Honours to believe that we should not have been backward to send them a larger sum were there not sure grounds to say the remainder will be disburs'd here for your service long before any supply can probably reach us.

26. Neither the London or Princess Mary arriving, which ships we presume have stores for this Presidency aboard, we are greatly at a loss for many articles, not only for our own use but to supply our subordinates with particularly medicines for the hospital and *aqua-fortis* for the Mint should your Honours be informed of any accident attending those ships we must earnestly request the supply designed by them may be made good to us as early and fully as convenience will admit.

Thirdly touching Investments.

Par. 17.

27. The number of Bales sent Home the last season and this will we hope compensate for the disappointment you suffered before. It shall be our strict endeavour to promote your Investment to the utmost of our Abilities.

28. In our Letter by the Benjamin we wrote Your Honours pretty largely touching your Investment on this coast by which you will observe we were very forward in it then, and by the Dolphin we hinted that upon the disappointment of supplies of money we should be obliged to give notice to our subordinates that it might not be in our power to furnish them with so much as their occasions required; but, as your ships have brought us that supply, we can now with pleasure inform you par. 19. that your business there has suffered little or no interruption from the want of currency, they shall always be supplied as far as our stock will admit; but, if by any accident the arrival of your next shipping from England should be retarded as it hath happened this year we cannot but apprehend unsurmountable difficulties in furnishing money to enable them to succeed so happily as they have now done in your business. We will enjoin the gentlemen there to be strictly on their guard against incurring bad debts.

29. Our time has been so much taken up in the disposition of your Shipping that we have not had leisure yet to discourse the Merchants about your Investment for this year, which shall be among the first things we take into consideration after the present dispatch. Your Honours, we hope, will be persuaded of our true regard Cons. 1746 13th. Janry. for your interest herein and as we we really beleive indulging them with the Broad cloth will have a very good effect by encouraging them to exert a proper spirit in the prosecution of their business at the same time that it serves to lessen their apprehensions of suffering in the course of it. We propose to deliver it to them on the terms you direct. Your Honours are not unacquainted with the complaints the merchants have made this way from time to time and it is a matter of concern to us to take

notice that many instances of losses sustained by them too sensibly justifie such complaints and this makes it extremely difficult for us to engage People of character and substance to undertake the business, nor can we indeed now boast of having many such within our walls ; for the destruction of Sadatulla Cawn's house, frequent incursions of the Morattas and Nizam's visitation of the Province have made terrible havock among the chief families and more especially the shroffs of whom there are scarce any of note left.

30. It is very grateful to us that it was in our power to send one September ship Home in 1744 and two this season as you signify that it will always be acceptable to you to receive such Cargoes for your March sale. par 21.

31. We shall transmit to the subordinate factories copies of these paragraphs pressing with all the most punctual observance of them from henceforward. par 22.

32. As we were sensible of the great advantage which would accrue to Your Honours by having a sum of money to lay out early in the Season, we signified to Bombay as we had before done to Bengal our apprehensions of the want of it. The gentlemen of the former place, in answer, kindly made us an offer of Four hundred thousand, 400,000 Rupees in case it could be brought to suit with our convenience to draw Bills on them, they having been by your orders restrained from remitting any money by Bill themselves. Accordingly if we had found it practicable to draw Bills on them for that value we should have been glad to do so, notwithstanding our supply from Europe, in order to send down the more money to Bengal where we know it must be highly acceptable, but we could meet with no shroffs capable of negotiating so large a sum with Us or even a quarter part, besides that the terms offered were very disadvantageous on our side.

Lrs. Recd 1745 No. 190. Lrs. Sent, 1746 No. 7.

33. Mr. Andrews from Ganjam has made an addition of ninety seven 97 Bales of salampores, ordinary, to the number he sent us up in September, making in all one hundred sixty seven 167 Bales ; but as it came to us all brown part only can be cured in time to go by the ships. We think it somewhat inferior to that made at Vizagapatam ; but, as it is a manufacture so lately revived among the Weavers there, it may be expected they will improve, so that in a few years you may be furnished from thence with a larger quantity of a better Fabrick ; at the same time we hope this parcel will not prove unacceptable.

Lrs. Recd 1746 No. 3.

34. Mr. Hallyburton, Resident at Madapollam, has desired to be recalled being quite tired out with the Insolence and Ill treatment of the Country Government ; that Factory, being unhappily situated between two different Jurisdictions, subjects it to these Inconveniences, but the oppressions of the Moors are of late become so exorbitant too, that no advances can be made to the merchants without extreme hazard ; for which reasons and because we are informed that all the ordinary cloth from Madapollam is really made in the Ingeram district we are of opinion it will be best to withdraw thereby saving to your estate the expence attending that Residency whilst your investment in the meanwhile will not receive prejudice ; at least that it will be proper in the present juncture to put on the appearance of quitting the place entirely ; but on this we shall deferr taking a definitive resolution till we have an opportunity to discourse Messrs. Saunders and Hallyburton concerning the matter as both may be expected here shortly. The latter has our leave to write on to his books the cost of a Tent, some small guns and a Bar Boat which have been useful to him and may be so still at Ingeram. Some timbers remaining of the parcel forced upon him by the Nabob we have directed to be sent up hither. Mr. Saunders has the same orders likewise in regard to those imposed on that Factory.

Lrs. Recd 1745 No. 188 Consns. 1746 13 Janry. Lrs. Sent 1746 No. 11. Lrs. Sent 1745 Nos. 167, 169. Lrs. Recd 1745 No. 187. Lrs. Recd 1746 No. 1.

35. In the supplement we shall give Your Honours a particular account of the number of Bales provided at each settlement which we cannot now ascertain for want of the necessary papers from St. David and Vizagapatam. We doubt not but it will be very satisfactory to your Honours to find the investment so considerably encreased and we heartily wish you may be as happy in having the goods conveyed safe to your hands.

FOURTHLY CONCERNING THE TRADE OF INDIA IN GENERAL AND THEREIN ANY TRANSACTIONS WITH THE COUNTRY GOVERNMENT.

par 25. 36. The little regard Nizam shewed to his promises after the valuable presents we made him will be a sufficient warning to us not to place any confidence in them hereafter. We are glad to find your Honours entertain so good an opinion touching our management in this transaction that it was calculated really for your service though we failed of the purpose through means which we were not aware of. To further exemplify the character of this great man we cannot help remarking to Your Honours, that Namatullah Cawn advices your President that he would have introduced our complaint mentioned in the 39th. Paragraph of the General Letter ℔ Benjamin but that it is necessary it should be accompanied with a Present suitable to one of his high Rank, but as he afforded us no manner of encouragement in the first instance we think it by no means adviseable to put you to any expence to enforce the application now.

Par 26. 37. We shall strictly regard your orders not to lend any sum of money to the countrey Powers. Your Honours will find another attempt of this kind was made in 1744 but that we carefully avoided having any thing to do with them.

par 27. 38. From the Revolution in the Government of Pegue and it's present distracted state all hopes seem to be lost of recovering that trade for some time at least to come which we heartily regret not only for the prejudice your customs suffer thereby, but as this settlement is deprived of many useful commodities which that country always supplied.

par 28. 39. The King of Candy expresses a readiness to release the Englishmen who have been so long in captivity on Zeloan, but the prisoners themselves having intermarried with the Natives and got children by them shew reluctance at leaving the country without their Families which they have not yet obtain'd liberty for. There is a contest subsisting at present between this Prince and the Dutch and the former has prohibited the carrying any Betelnut, Pepper or Grain down to their settlements, of which proceeding they have sent advices to Batavia and wait for orders from thence upon the occasion. It's said the king is desirous of having a Seaport in his Dominions of his own, which the Dutch are unwilling to suffer fearing He may encourage other Nations to resort thither.

Consns. 1745 25 Novr. 40. Whilst our Nabob lay encamped lately at Tanjore he received Nizam's orders to return forthwith to Arcot for putting himself, and Troops in readiness to follow the Nobobs of Corrapa and Cundanore, who are gone forward to the passes in order to prevent the Morattas entering the province. He did accordingly make some preparations for setting out, but, being suddenly taken ill and continuing so, he has been necessitated to recall his son, Mauphas Cawn from Tritchanapoly to set him at the head of his forces.

41. It has been pretty confidently reported that Nizam has it in view to remove our present Nabob, some larger offers having been made him, which it is no part of his character to refuse. At this rate we shall not be surprized to see this province in the same distracted state as the Northern ones which are yearly exposed to sale to the [best] bidders and what misery and calamities such a practice is likely to entail upon the Country Your Honours cannot but be extremely sensible of. The truth is the Mogul Empire is in so confused and enervated a State that the Authority of the Prince is totally slighted in the remoter provinces and none among the officers of the army in this now act under his Commission.

FIFTHLY, OF FORTIFICATIONS, BUILDINGS, REPAIRS AND REVENUES.

par 29. 42. It would be a very sensible satisfaction to us to tell Your Honours that the Town works were compleated as you seem to expect by this paragraph, and much more so in our present circumstances in regard to the French war and alarms of the Morattas' return into the Province—By the 45 Paragh. of the Benjamin's letter you will observe we had begun on a new plan for fortifying the West Side but the rains set in so heavily soon after her departure that it was impossible to make any progress,

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neither as they continued longer than Usual have we been able to lay one Brick since for which reason we do no more now than send a plan of the whole since it will be to no purpose to offer Your Honours an Estimate which we cannot reduce through this accident within any probable degree of exactness; but this shall come without fail by our September ship and in the mean time to discharge our duty to Your Honours. We must represent to you that it is likely to turn out so expensive an undertaking that nothing less than the apparent indispensable necessity of the work should induce us to set about it even under the permission you have been pleased to grant.

43. Your Honours will observe from the said Plan that the design is to make the Fortifications of the White Town regular and strong in order to enable us to oppose any attacks there from an enemy with the number of Troops you assign for this garrison; for those of the Black Town are so extensive that it may prove beyond the Military Act to contrive means for securing both against a numerous body of forces, at the same time wherefore as this scheme is suited to our circumstances, we hope to receive Your Honours' approval of it and to find you repose so much confidence in us as to beleive we should not put you to an expence which could be avoided consistently with the welfare and safety of your settlement.

44. The gentlemen at S^{t}. David must have been mistaken in their calculate of the expence for compleating the ditch and Fausebray there, as the report thereof deliver'd in since and referred to in the 46 Parag^{h}. of the Benjamin's Letter makes it rise to upwards of three thousand 3000 Pagodas. We hope your Honours will be assured that the utmost frugality in this and all other expences shall be used and none incurred where necessity does not compel us to lay out your money this way. para. 30

45. We are very sensible of the heavy charge that has attended the residence of the late Nabob's Family in our town, but according to the circumstances of Affairs then it was not to be avoided without giving disgust where it might have turned to our prejudice; whereas had it pleased God to permit that gentleman to survive some time longer we should in all probability have reaped great benefit from this service, for we cannot but consider the Loss of him as a very severe misfortune to Madrass. This Expence was lessen'd a good deal last year and we have reduced it still more since, which it shall be our care to continue to do though as the old Lady does not care to trust her person or money in a Moors' Government after the many casualties which have hap'ned to the Family part of it is likely to be entailed [upon] us for some time longer. par 31.

46. We have the pleasure now to referr Your Honours to our consultation of the 7th. Octo^{r}. where you will find your Betle and Tobacco Farm, measuring duty and Town Brokerage, notwithstanding many difficulties which occurred in the disposal of them, are severally let, the first and second at the old rates of ten thousand and one thousand, 10,000 and 1000 Pagodas per annum, and the last at eight hundred, 800 Pagodas ℔ annum which is one hundred 100 Pagodas advance on the former rates. Running Betle and tobacco into the bounds did certainly occasion great Loss to those who held that cowle before, and accordingly the New Renters applied to the Board for it's assistance to prevent those bad practices which Your Honours will observe we have assured them of and hope it will have so good effect that you will be no more subjected to abatements of the rent. In the same Consultation also Your Honours will meet with our reasons for discontinuing the fishing farm till we receive your directions thereupon. It would have yielded only forty five, 45, Pagodas ℔ annum and taking it off will doubtless releive our military and poorer sort of Inhabitants. Consns. 1745 7 & 17 Octr.

47. The Paddy Banksal formerly under the direction of the Mayor's Court being in a ruinous condition and part fallen down, we ordered sale of the old materials to prevent suffering by Pilferage. It amounted to one hundred thirty three pagodas, twenty fanams and twenty Cash, 133. 20. 20, which sum is carried to the credit of that head in the General Books as it will be charged hereafter with the cost of rebuilding it. Consns. 1745 28 Octr. 14 Decr.

48. The Banksal duties were let to farm for two years and the cowle expired the 31st. December last; but the present season proving very favourable so that it is likely a large quantity of grain may be imported from the Land, we judged this a good opportunity to relet it for the term of five years; It was accordingly put up Consns. 1745 23 Decr. Consns. 1746 [2] Janry.

at Outcry the 2d. Janury. and sold for seven hundred and ten, 710, Pagodas ℔ annum, which as it will produce annually one hundred and ten 110 Pagodas more than the allowance paid to the Mayor's Court, We purpose to carry this surplus to the credit of the Head of the Banksal likewise to reimburse the charge of the New one.

Cons. 1745 14 Decr.

49. We have compleated our New Magazine for Powder in the White Town at an expence less than the original computation delivered in by the difference of One hundred and four Pagodas nine fanams and sixty six cash (104–9–66).

Cons. 1745 20 Decr.

50. The executors of Mr. Fowke deceased offering to sale a very large godown new built and of the best materials as the same lay mighty commodiously for your business, by it's neighbourhood to the Export Warehouse, we bought it together with a small house contiguous, where we propose the Under Warehousekeeper shall live in order to give the close attendance, which that service requires, for fourteen hundred (1400) pagodas.

Ltrs. Reed. 1746 No. 7, 16 Cons. 1746 13th. Janry. Lrs. Sent, 1746 No. 12.

51. The gentlemen at St. David have represented to us the absolute necessity of enlarging their sorting place and of raising some additional buildings to the Bandipollam and Tevenepatam washing places. They are preparing a calculate of he expence on Receipt of which we shall give proper directions.

Lrs Reed 1745 No. 179.

52. Mr. Saunders also tells us there are wanting some petty buildings at Ingeram, which he applies for leave to set about; as they seem necessary we purpose to allow of them. The whole cost he says will not exceed five hundred (500) pagodas.

Cons. 1746 20 Janry.

53. We send in the packet a plan of St. David Fort by which Your Honours will remark that the south west bastion is wanting, having been washed away by the freshes many years ago; the Benjamin's Letter advised of our permission to rebuild it and to conpleat the fossebray and ditch, which, though expensive works, we beleive Your Honours will think with us to be very expedient considering the number of Bales providing there. As for Cuddalore we are heartily concerned Your Honours were ever put to an expence about that place as it lies still entirely open to the sea and serves to weaken the garrison at St. David by dividing the Military.

Cons. 1746 20th Janry.

54. We beg leave to referr Your Honours to our accountant's report for the state of the expences and revenues of this Coast according to the books ending April 1745, and to the reasons alledged by our Sea and Land Customer in their reports respecting those branches of your revenues, as accounted for the year ending December 1745.

55. After the same consultation is entered on account shewing the Customs on the gold coinage for the year 1745 to have fallen short of the preceding year near five hundred pagodas owing to causes not in our power to prevent.

Cons. 1745 30th April.

56. Your Honours have been heretofore apprized why it might not be proper for us to appear too forward in the affair of the new villages and in our Letters since we signified our having some grounds to expect that the persons employed by Kistnajee Puntaloo in his life time to collect the revenues of them for 1743 would have accounted with us for them e'er this, but we have as yet heard nothing of them and some of the same reasons still subsist for our chusing to be silent on the occasion and not having taken any steps towards farming them out. Our Consultations will shew Your Honours that we have received in money and grain to the amount of seven hundred sixty one pagodas five fanams and sixty five cash (761. 5. 65) as the nett produce of the four villages for the year ending the 31st. March 1745. When the present crop is gathered in we shall also receive the produce of them for the last year and are not without hope that in time we may be left in undisputed possession of them and that they will then help further towards lessening the Head of Nabob's expences.

Sixthly, of Factors, Writers, Officers and their Accounts.

par 36.

57. We were so well satisfied of the abilities of Messrs. Saunders, Prince and Hallyburton for executing their respective trusts that we appointed them thereto with great readiness, and we hope Your Honours will be confirmed in the same good opinion of them from their performances.

58. You are already appriz'd of Mr. Graham's death; two hundred 200 pagodas more were recovered last year and we expect in the annual Letter from St. David to meet with some further account of the state of his affairs from the administrators. par 37.

59. What covenants are now signed by such of your servants as are come of age have been entertained by your orders go in the Packet. The names of the several securities are recited in Consultation. par 38 Cons. 1746 20 Janry.

60. We shall after these ships sail account with Capt. Gingins for the cost of the mathematical instruments delivered Mr. Hollard or restrain the pay due to the Latter. par 39.

61. As Your Honours are pleased to admit of our paying fifty, 50 Pagodas ℔ month to the Mayor's Court, for defraying their charges, we shall continue to do it till your further directions, and will write to Bengal for the account you speak of in relation to the court there par 0.

62. We are pleased to find the measures we took in Father Severini's affair are so well approved by Your Honours. par 42.

63. Herewith comes in the packet the calculate of quick stock which we hope is drawn out agreably to your commands. par 43.

64. Mr. Stratton went hence in September last to Vizagapatam in order to recover what moneys he possibly could from the merchants, whom he had entrusted during his Chiefship and Your Honours may be fully satisfied that the debt standing out in his Name on the Books of that Factory will be cleared off in a short time Cons. 1745, para. 44, 2 Sept. Lrs. Sent, 1745 No. 138.

65. We send also inclosed an account current of the estate of Mr. Joseph Goddard whereby you will observe his debt on the Madapollam Books is cleared off and a ballance in favour of his estate of forty pagodas twenty three fanams and 43 cash. Cons. 1746, par. 45 23 Janry.

66. Mr. George Drake is not yet arrived, nor Messrs. Buckley or Maskelyne par 49.

67. Padre Severini has been made acquainted with your determination touching the proposed deposite of six thousand 6000 Pagodas towards erecting an Hospital for female orphans, for which sum when he pays it into your cash we shall execute a bond on the terms you direct. He desires us to acquaint you further, that, Mr. Medeiros lately deceased having bequeathed by will near fifteen thousand 15,000 pagodas to this charity, he is willing that this latter sum should be added to the first to be deposited together with it in your cash for better security of the whole. We shall on this occasion only take the liberty to add our sentiments that accepting the money will conduce to render that church more concerned for your interest and probably prevent their employing it at Pondicherry hereafter to your prejudice. par 50.

68. We have entertained Mr. Stephen Lightfoot Surgeon's Mate of the Hospital at the usual pay of fifteen 15 Pagodas a Month. Cons. 1745 12 Octr.

69. Mr. Trenwith delivered us a petition some time ago praying some allowance might be made him for the extraordinary charges he was put to in his passage out by the Wager's deviation and that the lateness of his arrival here occasioned thereby, might not prejudice his standing in your Service. We have allowed him thirty 30 Pagodas for his expence and recommend him to Your Honours for the like indulgence with the rest of the gentlemen mentioned in our letter ℔ Benjamin paragh. 52. Cons. 1745 11 Novr.

70. Mr. Jones returns Your Honours thanks for your favour in admitting him into the Service and begs leave to assure you of his diligence and fidelity therein.

71. Mr. Joseph Fowke is elected Mayor for the ensuing year and Mr. Matthew Empson appointed Sheriff. Cons. 1745 20 Decr.

72. The number of Europeans in this and Fort St. David garrisons is so much reduced that we must represent to Your Honours the apparent necessity of sending out large recruits, especially as that of the French at Pondicherry is now become very considerable by the addition of the Favoris people and others from Batavia and the Malabar Coast and may possibly be further reinforced by fresh supplies of men from their islands. Lrs. Recd. 1746 No. 26.

SEVENTHLY, TOUCHING ACCOUNTS.

Lrs. Recd 1745 No. 190, Cons. 1745 23 Decr. Lrs. Sent, 1746 No. 7.

73. The President and Council of Bombay transmitted us, with their Letter of the 22d. October, Second Bills of Exchange drawn from Persia on Sultan David by his wife. Your Honours are already apprized that the former set was protested and the same reasons offering to make it in our opinion not proper for the Board here to interfere in the matter, we wrote Mr. Wake and Council that we chose to leave it to the parties to appoint persons to commence a suit for the money, if they were determined to proceed further having been teized a good deal upon this occasion, we cannot forbear saying that we think Mr. Peirson has taken too great liberty with Your Honours to bring your name and authority into the question, as he may thereby risque many bad consequences, not to mention that it appears quite needless if the remedy is in his own hands, according to the extraordinary menace he delivers out by enforcing satisfaction from the family at Zulpha after Persian modes of justice. A Bill from thence on Coja Miguel for three thousand 3000 rupees has been duely paid.

Lrs. Recd, 1745 No. 58, 117.

74. Messrs. Saunders and Hallyburton have sent up from Ingeram and Madapollam, their reports of the several ballances outstanding from merchants there which seem desperate. These debts were contracted whilst Messrs. Graham and Goddard were at those places and we believe are principally owing to exactions imposed upon the people by the country government. We shall however keep in mind to try what may be done towards recovery of the money if any good opportunity should present in future.

EIGHTHLY, CONCERNING THE WEST COAST.

Cons. 1745 7 Octr. 11 Novr. Lrs. Sent, 1745 No. 157 Lrs. Recd. 1745 No. 173.

75. We wrote the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort Marlbrough by a Dutch ship bound to Batavia, soon after which we received a Letter from them by the Princess Augusta forwarded from Colombo, wherein they acquaint us that they shall be in want of a supply of Rice. Accordingly we propose to send some on the Sumatra which ship we expect shortly from Bengal.

Cons. 1745 12, 21 Octr.

76. We beg leave to referr Your Honours to the report of our Committee touching the several matters which they judged necessary to advert upon in relation to that Coast. It is a great concern to us that the product of Pepper this year is likely to turn out short of the last, but the reasons assigned for it are too cogent not to make us fearful of a deficiency for some years to come, though of a nature that does not anyways subject your servants there to censure on that account.

Cons. 1745 11 Novr Lrs. Sent, 1745 No. 177.

77. This misfortune happening, as Your Honours had given us notice of your ordering a ship thither from the Bay, we acquainted the gentlemen at Bengal to reserve no more room than for one hundred and fifty 150 tons of pepper.

78. Mr. Lennox did design for Europe on one of those ships, but not finding his health sufficiently restored to undertake so long a voyage he purposes to stay with us till September next.

NINTHLY, RESPECTING THE CHARTER.

Cons. 1745 18th Octr.

79. Upon a representation made by the Sheriff of abuses committed frequently in town by tearing off the seals affixed to premises under sequestration or execution, which we apprehend the Black people might be under less apprehensions of the consequence of doing, because such seals were only private ones, we have ordered a new one peculiar to the office always to be used on these occasions.

Cons. 1746 23d. Jany.

80. The answer from the Mayor's Court to what Your Honours were pleased to recommend to us and them about establishing an Accountant, was sent in so late as not to allow us any time for remark and we therefore beg leave to referr to it. A copy of the Court Leidger therein mentioned comes in the Lincoln's packet.

TENTHLY, OF THE FRENCH AND OTHER EUROPEAN NATIONS TRADING TO INDIA.

Cons. 1745 4, 11 Novr.

81. The Gentlemen of Tellicherry advised us of a ship taking in provisions at Mahie more than was necessary for her own service, whence a surmise was raised of other French ships cruising to the northward in order to intercept ours coming down from Bombay; and the same ship is said to have returned back about a month afterwards on the like errand when she put out to sea. This leads us to conjecture that

she waited for advices from Pondicherry concerning our King's ships, for we have not hitherto heard of any other belonging to them that have appeared on the Malabar Coast. We forwarded this account nevertheless to Bengal that the shipping from hence might be more on their guard. Lrs. Sent 1745 No. 177.

82. The great Preparations which the French have of late made at Pondicherry and the reinforcements sent from Mahie and Caracall served to alarm strongly your inhabitants at Cuddalore, which occasioned Mr. Hinde to desire some speedy assistance might be sent thither. Our President apprized Commodore Barnet of this affair who immediately ordered the Deptford down, on which ship we sent a party of fifty men commanded by Lieutenant Gingins, giving directions at the same time that this party should repair on board the Admiral Vernon and continue in her whilst she was taking in her Cargo. Cons. 1745 29 Decr. Lr. Sent 1745 Nos. 189, 190.

83. We beleive the French are highly disappointed to find our men of war on this side and the more uneasy at it, because of the likelihood there now is that their shipping may be intercepted which they have been looking out for some time past.

84. The Chief of Caracall detained a pair of Peons coming to us with Letters from Anjengo for several days, and by report of the Peons they were not only put under confinement but otherwise ill treated. Mr. Dupleix has lately forwarded the Letters to our President unopened apologizing for the Chief's misbehaviour and acquainting that he had ordered the release of the People, but we think it would have looked better if this Complement had been paid earlier. Cons. 1746 13th. Jany.

85 The Dutch have lately quitted Cuddalore and are gone to resettle at Porto Novo. They give out they have obtained liberty from the Nabob to raise a wall round their factory and that they intend to fortify it; but, if Andiapah is to be credited, they will be disappointed in the latter part the Nabob having refused them. Private Advices.

86. Monsr. Faillet who resided here formerly and some years ago settled at Manilha appeared in the month of April last in the Streights of Malacca under a Spanish Commission, where off Quedah-Bar he surprized and took a sloop from Bengal, of which one Aken was master, and afterwards engaged the Queen of Hungary from Bengal and Pegue, Captain William West, for five hours, but the latter having on board about forty of Mr. Schonamille's party with some French officers she escaped notwithstanding her Masts and Rigging were so shattered that she became almost a Wreck. He went off with his Prize soon after, occasioned, as is supposed, by meeting the report of the English Men-of-War being abroad and is generally beleived to have returned Home. Private Advices.

87. The vessel we mentioned to Your Honours in our 64th. paragraph ℔ Benjamin having lost her passage to Manilha is, we hear, put back to and lying at Acheen. Private Advices.

88. The second Danish ship from Europe which we advised was missing is lately arrived at Tranquebar from Acheen where she had lain several months and we hear they will both be dispatched for Europe this season. Private Advices.

ELEVENTHLY, CONCERNING THE WAR AND HIS BRITANICK MAJESTY'S SHIPS IN INDIA.

89. Peter Dencker and James Calvincer having delivered Provisions to the squadron to the amount of two hundred thirty Pagodas fourteen fanams and thirty Cash 230. 14. 30 we consented to endorse the same off their Bond and to allow them to the first day of March next for full payment being convinced that the reasons they alledge are true. Cons. 1745 7 & 17 Octor.

90. Commodore Barnet returned hither the 17 December having been at Mergy and off Acheen and after taking in part of the Stores with provisions and Water he is since sailed to the Southward in company with the Preston and Dolphin. Diary 1745 17 Decr. Do. 1746 24 Jany.

91. As we are necessitated to send our small vessels on distant voyages, when desired by the Commodore to do so, or on other occasions, we are at a loss to supply them with proper provisions, wherefore we request if the war continues that Your Honours will send us out Forty Casks of Beef and ten of Pork for this service.

92. We sent Your Honours by the Benjamin a short Letter of the 25th: September wrote after the close of our General Advices by that ship to introduce a first of Four Bills of Exchange of that date drawn by the Agent Victualer of his Majesty's Squadron in India on the Commissioners for Victualing the Navy for four thousand eight hundred thirty eight Pounds five shillings and three pence farthing Sterling

4838. 5. 3¼ payable Your Honours or order at thirty days sight. The Dolphin carried you the Duplicate of that letter with second of those Bills and a third letter and Bill wait on you by the Lincoln. For the Fourth Bills of this and other sets so drawn we hope we are right in keeping them here for your further orders.

93. The Squadron having since then been supplied with large quantities of provisions and stores from Bengal and this place we have occasion now to referr to two fresher Bills of exchange Your Honours will meet with in our Packets by the Lincoln, Edgebaston and Admiral Vernon for the amount of what we have been able to this time to adjust the accounts of Viz^{t}.

One set dated 23^{d}. January 1745 6 drawn by Commodore Barnet on the Honourable the Principal Officers and Commissioners of his Majesty's Navy for twelve hundred eighty seven pounds thirteen shillings sterling payable Your Honours or order at thirty days sight in full for nine thousand four hundred and One Current Rupees seven annas disbursed by your Agents at Calcutta for the use of his Majesty's ships now in India, Current Rupees 9401. 7. — or ... ... £ St^{g}. 1287 13 —

One set of the same date, certified by Commodore Barnet and drawn by Richard Rosewell the Agent victualer on the Honourable the Commissioners for victualing his Majesty's Navy at the victualing office, for ten thousand three hundred eighty nine pounds seven shillings and two pence half penny, payable to Your Honours or order at thirty days sight for value received in provisions from Bengal and this place ... ... £. St^{g}. 10389 7 2½

94. We beleive your honours will not be displeas'd that we do not now trouble you with the several particular accounts included in the bills, as we propose to lay them before you in our view when the Squadron leaves India, nor do we find room to remark further on the bills than that the current rupees are reduced into Pagodas at three hundred and fifty 350 Rupees for one hundred 100 Pagodas; how the Pagodas are made Sterling Your Honours will learn from our abovementioned letter of the 25th. September.

95. In the packets by the Lincoln and Edgebaston Your Honours will find in two copies an account signed by our President of disbursements on the French prisoners put ashore here at different times from his Majesty's ships to the 31st. December 1745 amounting to four hundred eighty two pagodas thirty two fanams 482. 32. which at fourteen and three quarters, 14¾ weighty Dollars for ten 10 Pagodas makes seven hundred and three dollers and a third 703⅓ and at six shillings and six pence, 6. 6 per dollar two hundred thirty pounds ten shillings and eight pence Sterling, 230. 10. 8. On each of the said accounts is endorsed a Warrant under Commodore Barnet's Hand by virtue whereof he assures the President Your Honours will obtain payment of that Sum.

96. On each of the three ships now dispatching come six French prisoners, from this place and St^{t}. David and as opportunities offer we shall send away the remainder agreable to the Commodore's desire, there being none of ours as yet to exchange them with in India and to deliver them up may not consist with the safety of Your Honours' Estate. They are to be victualed in the voyage at the expence of the Government; and besides these there go several on the Homeward bound men-of-war.

SUPPLEMENT.

97. By the Packets Your Honours will receive the several merchants Accounts both at this place and at the Subordinates, Madapollam and Ganjam excepted which are not yet come to hand, from which you will observe their performances and we hope they will have approved themselves to your satisfaction We have received now from Vizagapatam by the Betty Brigantine one hundred and twenty bales more so that the state of our whole Investment for the year is as follows:

	Bales.
Madrass, brought in to the 31st. Decem^{r}. 1900	
to be delivered in this month ... 100	
	2000
Fort St^{t}. David, brought in to the 31st. Decem^{r}. 2506	
to be deliver'd in this month about... 300	
	2806

	Bales.
Vizagapatam	475
Ingeram	785
Madapollam	369
Ganjam	167
Six thousand six hundred and two Bales	6602

98. The chay or coloured goods from Metchlepatam are not yet arrived and we compute that, after the dispatch of those ships, there will be remaining here and at Fort S^{t}. David upwards of twelve hundred 1200 Bales towards providing for the September shipping.

99. The Chief and Council of Vizagapatam sent us up in September two bales of the Sortment of cloth which the Dutch at Bimlepatam have provided this year, which has been of great disservice to the Vizagapatam Investment. It is not only dearer than yours, but we think it in general to be an extreme bad manufacture, so that did we once admit of such to be taken in we could not expect to get any of equal Goodness with what you receive now: We have thought proper to send these two Bales by the Lincoln for your Inspection, which are distinguished by the Letters F.V.D. Lrs. Recd. 1745 No. 153.

100. The Managers of ChintadrePettah have delivered us twenty four 24 Corge of Chints Moorees, value nine hundred eighty four, 984 Pagodas in further part of their ballance. The weavers there continue to find employment, from the town and we shall give them the utmost encouragement.

101. Your ship Edgebaston imported from Bengal the 22^{d}. Instant at night with a Letter from the President and Council there of the 6th. instant in which they mention that as she had a cargo on board to the value of a million of rupees, if any of the expected ships from Europe should be with us we might shift part thereof for our coast Goods in order to reduce the risque; but the supposition the Gentlemen made then of her having to that amount on board proves wrong because the Captain had returned several bales from the ship's side, the number so returned M^{r}. Macket advises to be two hundred and eight 208; but upon examination of the Boatswain's Book with her invoice we reckon it to be two hundred and eighteen, 218, and of such Sortments that it lowers the invoice near three hundred thousand, 300,000 Rupees, so that the remainder not exceeding your limitation of Risque, there has been no occasion for us to alter the stowage of that ship which would have been highly inconvenient in the midst of our hurry at this Juncture as the Captain had no directions what sorts to keep at hand. M^{r}. Macket's protest against the Captain for not taking in his Tonage, we suppose to be in the Bengal packet by that ship; in ours Your Honours will find our Warehousekeeper's computation of the sorts and value of the Bales returned; Her Invoice, account Packing stuff, account Tonage and Bill of Lading as we received them from the Bay. Lrs. Recd. 1746 No. 20, 22. Cons. 1746, 23, 27 Janry.

102. Your ship Prince of Orange from Persia arrived at Bombay the 20th. of last month and we hear was to be sent to fill up at Tellicherry from thence. M^{r}. Geekie your Chief there intends, with his family, to take his passage on her for Europe. Lrs. Recd 1746 No. 29.

103. As the quantity of Broad Cloth sent us this year is much short of our indent, we now send an additional one for Three hundred, 300, Bales, which we are in expectation of disposing of.

104. The Warehousekeeper having, after he delivered in the Estimate of the value of the Goods returned from the Edgebaston, discovered a Mistake in the same of about Forty thousand Rupees has since corrected it, by which Your Honours will observe her present cargo exceeds about five thousand Pounds your designed Limitation; nevertheless it is really impossible for us to shift part in the extreme hurry we are in on all sides, besides we are doubtfull whether we might not expose Your Honours to some hazard by so doing, for though the Gentlemen at Bengal in their letter say they consign her to us, it appears both by her invoice and bill of Lading which are papers of much more consequence, that they have consigned her cargo directly to Your Honours. We hope the reasons will sufficiently justify us.

Lrs. Recd. 1746 No. 20 Cons. 1746 23 Janry.

105. The Gentlemen of Bengal have drawn upon us for Eighty one thousand two hundred three Arcot Rupees Eleven anaes and three pice, 81203. 11. 3. in favour of Mr. Barnet and the captors of some French ships. We had no intimation of this before or we should have reserved this sum out of the moneys intended to be sent them, as this draught will considerably lessen our stock, which was calculated upon for the service of your Investment here.

Lrs. Recd. 1746 No. 29.

106. The Arrival of the Prince of Orange at Bombay with her supplies of Treasure from Europe and Persia has enabled the Gentlemen there to make us another kind offer of two Lack of Rupees more for our bills on them, which your Honours are already acquainted is not practicable; but we may hope to receive some of it by other opportunities.

Diary 1746 30 Janry. Lrs. Sent 1746 No. 23.

107. Our President received a Letter from Mr. Hinde of the 27th. Instant in the morning mentioning that Mr. Dupleix had sent a party of five hundred Europeans and as many Blacks with mortars and field-pieces to the edge of the Fort St. David bounds and not knowing what their designs were, the President immediately on receipt of Mr. Hinde's Letter dispatch'd a catamaran to Mr. Barnet with advice of the situation Mr. Hinde was in; but he has since been informed that the French were drawing off towards Pondicherry and that Mr. Barnet appeared in sight with four ships in the afternoon of the same day, which had relieved them in good measure from that Alarm, We hope no bad consequence from it under that protection.

Diary 1746 29 & 30 Janry.

108. The Medway and Lively came into the road the 29th from a cruize to the Eastward, where off the Nicobars the 14th. December they met with and took the Expedition, Monsr. Lasqueline Commander, carrying fourteen guns and fifty seven men. This is the ship we mentioned in our 81st. paragraph to have been twice at Mihie She was sent from France in April last with packets for the Islands and Pondicherry; the latter she put ashore at Mihie, from whence she was ordered round to this Coast; some of the Prisoners say, with a design to intercept the Ceres and Vernon (the former our China ship the other lately arrived from the Streights of Malacca) which others of them deny and say they were coming to Pondicherry to take the letters for the Islands. It's a happy circumstance that she is fallen into such good hands, as, being reckoned a prime sailer, she might have done great Injury to the country trade.

Cons. 1746 13th Janry.

109. The usual Rains we had in the monsoon and since setting us behind hand in curing our cloths for this dispatch, we came to a resolution to make up what we might be deficient with Brown cloth; in consequence we send Your Honours on the Lincoln about thirteen tons in brown salampores middling, which sort we apprehend most proper for the dye or staining, and have reckoned her surplus petre into her whole freight which we beleived Your Honours would better approve than our sending more brown cloth as we have been obliged to this step by accidents not in our power to prevent we doubt not of your favourable thoughts, and that you will furnish us with proper directions for our future Guidance in a like exigency, which may not unreasonably be expected in the course of the war and when the fixed dispatch of your ships renders it impossible to have our cloths ready in time. As our Investment at this place is now considerable and large quantities of cloth are sent up from the Northward to be whitened here it may not sometimes be in our power to get the whole cleared even allowing a February dispatch. Your Honours will be advised from Fort St. David if the Gentlemen there are obliged to follow the same method, which from their Letters to Us we apprehended they would be under a necessity of doing.

Lrs. sent 1746 No. 12 Lrs. Recd. 1746 No. 13

Cons. 1746 27 Janry. Lrs. sent 1746 No. 21 Cons. 1746 31st Janry.

110. We beg Your Honours to be referr'd to our Consultations for some short deliveries from the Admiral Vernon and Lincoln which are to be settled in England and which are endorsed on the respective Bills of Lading by those ships. The Dolphin's Bill of Lading for her Bengal copper being sent us from thence, now waits on your honours with a deficiency of one hundred weight and eleven pounds 1—..—11 endorsed on it.

111. The Eddgebaston's Invoice by our computation in her packet amounts to seven hundred fifty nine thousand nine hundred and fifteen current rupees, 759915. The amount of her invoice to St. Helena is signified to Your Honours from the Bay.

112. For the Amount of the Admiral Vernon's invoice we must refer to the packet you will receive by her from S^{t}. David's; as also for that of Cap^{t}. Cooke's Homeward bound adventure. The Invoice of old ordnance from hence amounts to

		Pag^{s}.	999	24	60
	The Helena Invoice to		267	14	77
113.	The Lincoln's Cargo amounts to Pagodas ...		145,720	5	34
	The Invoice of her S^{t}. Helena Tonage to ...		696	25	70
	That of old ordnance and small arms to ...		1509	11	33
	Cap^{t}. Blake's manifest of private trade to ...		4490	—	—
114.	The Register of Diamonds, Pretious Stones and licenced by the Lincoln amounts to	Pag^{s}.	69864	9	26
	That by the Edgebaston to		19715	4	43
	Registered by the two ships ...	Pags.	89,579	13	69

by the Admiral Vernon none. In each of the former ship's packets comes an account of the produce of such chests of Coral &c^{t}., for which Remittances are now made in full.

115. Your Honours have remaining in cash here this day thirty six thousand seven hundred forty eight current pagodas ten fanams and thirty one cash 36748. 10. 31. and three hundred fifty nine 359 Madrass Pagodas.

We are
Honourable
Your faithfull humble Servants

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE,
31ST. JAN. 1745/46.

NIC^{S}.: MORSE.
WILL^{M}. MONSON.
THO^{S}. EYRE.
EDW^{D}. HARRIS.
WILL^{M}. JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
EDW^{D}. FOWKE.

POSTSCRIPT.

THE BILLS OF EXCHANGE now drawn on Your Honours and the certificates we have granted by these ships LINCOLN, ADMIRAL VERNON and EDGEBASTON are as follow.

BILLS OF EXCHANGE

Dated 1745/6	Set	For Companys servants &c^{t}. at 7^{s}. 8^{d}. Per pagoda	Pag^{s}.	Fa^{s}.	Ca.	£.	S.	D.
6 Jan.	1	To John Turner or order value of Charles Floyer for	260	31	24	100	—	—
23^{d}. Dec.	1	To Robert Harrison or order for Account of Samuel Harrison value of Mary Harrison	800	—	—	306	13	4
	1	To John Lyde or order value of Nathaniel Barlow	91	10	76	35	—	—
27th. Do.	1	To Thomas Hall Esq^{r}. or order value of Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. on account of Thomas Saunders	521	26	48	200	—	—
	1	To the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Edward Bourchier or order value of Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. on account of Richard Bourchier Esq^{r}.	652	6	20	250	—	—
	1	To Dodding Braddyll, Richard Benyon and John Braddyll Esq^{r}. value of Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. on account of Thomas Braddyll Esq^{r}.	1859	9	26	712	14	4

Dated	set.		Pags.	F.	C.	£.	S.	D.
	1	To Sidney Foxall or order value of himself	600	—	—	230	—	—
	1	To William Ferguson or order value of Andrew Munro	130	15	52	50	—	—
	9	Sets for servants &c^{t}. at 7^{s} 8^{d} ... Pags.	5437	18	54	2084	7	8

For Free Merchants &c^{t}. at 7^{s}. 4^{d}.

₱ pagoda

23^{d}. Dec.	1^{set}.	To Andrew Honey or order value of John Runsiman	272	26	14	100	—	—
January 1745/6	1	Bills for free marchants &c bro^{t}. Over	272	26	14	100	—	—
27th.	1	To Edward Stephenson, Willian Jennings Charles Boddam Sen^{r}. and Nathan Wright or order value of Samuel Greenhaugh and Charles Boddam Jun^{r}.	13976	17	69	5124	14	3½
	1	To Henry Newcome or order value of Nicolas Morse Esq^{r}.	56	19	64	20	14	8
	3	Sets For Free Merchants &c^{t}. at 7^{s}. 4^{d}. Pags.	14305	27	67	5245	8	11½
	9	Sets For Servants &c^{t}. at 7^{s}. 8^{d}. bro^{t}. forward	5437	18	54	2084	7	8
In all	12	Sets amounting to ... ... Pags.	19,743	10	41	£7329	16	7½

Seven thousand three hundred twenty nine Pounds, sixteen shillings and seven pence, half penny sterling for which we have received into Your Honour's cash here nineteen thousand seven hundred forty three pagodas ten fanams and forty one cash, the prescribed oaths being respectively taken to the bills at 7 s 8 d.

CERTIFICATES.

Dated January 1745/6.	set.		
23^{d}.	1	For three hundred and three pagodas twenty one fanams and twenty three cash received here of William Monson Esq^{r}. on account of Cap^{t}. Duncomb Backwell of the Northampton his adventure outward bound and the returns thereof ...	303 21 23
	1	For five thousand five hundred and forty pagodas, thirty one fanams, and twenty four cash received of Charles Boddam in behalf of Cap^{t}. Edmund Cooke of the Admiral Vernon on account of money taken up of the Company at Respondentia by Cap^{t}. Benjamin Webster late Commander of the said ship and the Respondentia Interest thereon ...	5540 31 24
27th.	1	For twelve hundred and fifty pagodas received of Robert Sloper and Dawsonne Drake on account of the estate of Charles Savage Norris deceased ...	1250 — —
	1	For six hundred fifty eight pagodas eighteen fanams and twenty seven cash received of Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. as the produce of a chest of Silver marked I.G. N^{o}. 1 ship'd by Doctor Maurice Green on the Kent 1745 on account of his son John Green late of Fort Marlborough deceased	658 18 27
In all	4	Sets amounting to	7752 34 74

Seven thousand seven hundred fifty two pag^{s}. thirty four fanams and seventy four Cash, which sum we have received into Your Hon^{rs}. cash here, the prescribed oaths being respectively taken.

Since the above we have granted set of certificates of this date for one thousand Pagodas 1000 paid into Your cash by Captain John Blake of the Lincoln who declares it to be on account of the Respondentia he has taken up of Your Honours.

We are
Honourable
Your faithful humble Servants

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
31ST. JANUARY 1745/6.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
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GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY DATED JANUARY 31, 1746

[*Public Despatches to England, Vol.* 15, p. 90.]

TO THE WORSHIP^{L}. DAVID DUNBAR ESQ^{R}.
GOVERNOUR &C^{T}, COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. HELENA

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

Our last was by the Dolphin under the 6th. October a copy of which is inclosed—

We have since then received via Bengal a Letter from Mess^{rs}. Powell and Council dated the 10th. May 1743 particularizing several articles of stores then wanting on your Island which not having been sent we apprehend may still be acceptable, and therefore send you them on these ships Lincoln and Admiral Vernon, as ℔ their respective Invoices and Bills of Lading.

We wish You Success and are
WORSHI^{L}. SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
31ST. JANUARY 1745/6.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
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REGISTER OF DIAMONDS, PRECIOUS STONES &C^{T}. LICENCED BY THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE TO BE SHIPPED ON THE LINCOLN, CAPTAIN JOHN BLAKE BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS IN RETURN FOR CORAL AND ON OTHER ACCOUNTS VIZ^{T}.

		P.	F.	ca.
	By WILLIAM PERCIVAL consigned to RICHARD BENYON and RICHARD WIAT Esq^{r}. and CAPTAIN JOHN BLAKE.			
W P N^{o}. 3.	One bulse of Diamonds value	2000	—	—
	By SOLOMON SALOMONS consigned to ABRAHAM and JACOB FRANCO.			
A L F. N. 63 @ 65.	Three bulse of Diamonds value	9612	14	64
	Of which P. 2133. 23. 61, or £817. 18. 1, is in full returns for the remains of a chest of Coral Beads marked ⊕ N^{o}. 110 imported 1744 ℔ York.			

		P.	F.	Cs.
	P. 547. 21. 2, or £209. 18. 2 is in full returns for the remains of a chest of Coral Beads marked ⊕ N°. 103 imported 1744 ℔ Duke of Dorset. and P. 1363. 18. 29 or £522. 13. 7, is in full returns for the remains of a chest of Coral Beads marked I M F N°. 18, imported 1744 ℔ York. By SOLOMON SOLOMON consigned to PHINEAS SERRA.			
P S N°. 1.	One bulse of Diamonds value £210. 5. 6 ... ... In full returns for the remains of a chest of Coral Beads marked P S N°. 1 imported 1743 ℔ Princess Amelia. By EDWARD and JOSEPH FOWKE consigned to BENJAMIN MENDES DA COSTA.	548	19	44
BMDC N°. 1.	One bulse of Diamonds value ... ... Of which P. 1493. 7. 4 or £572. 7. 10 is in full returns for a box of Coral Beads marked ABC N°. 1 imported 1744 ℔ Prince of Wales & P.1211. 15.4, or £464. 7. 6 is in full returns for the remains of a box of Coral Beads marked B.R.N. 5 imported 1744 ℔ Beaufort. By EDWARD and JOSEPH FOWKE consigned to JACOB SALVADORE.	2704	22	8
I S N°. 1.	One bulse of Diamonds value £246. 3. 4 ... ... In full returns for a box of Coral Beads marked I.S. N. 1 imported 1745 ℔ Lincoln. By EDWARD and JOSEPH FOWKE consigned to JOHN ANTHONY and HENRY LOUBIER and JAMES TEISSER.	642	6	35
L S N°. 8.	One bulse of Diamonds value £191. 16. 1 ... ... In full returns for a box of Rough Coral marked L.S. N°. 8 imported 1738 ℔ Beaufort.	500	12	73
N°. 9.	One bulse of Diamonds value £190. 9. 2 ... ... In full returns for a box of Rough Coral marked L S N°. 9 imported 1738 ℔ Beaufort. By SOLOMON SALOMONS consigned to ABRAHAM and JACOB FRANCO.	496	30	30
F A 1 N°. 1.	One bulse of Diamonds value ... ... By MOSES BEREND HEYMAN consigned to GEORGE ARNOLD and HENRY ISAACS.	2250	—	—
A 1 N°. 1 @ 3.	Three bulse of Diamonds value £6363. 10. 5 ... In full returns for six chests of Silver marked A. 1, N 7 @ 12, imported 1745 ℔ Kent. By WILLIAM PERCIVAL consigned to RICHARD BENYON and RICHARD WIAT Esq^{r}. and Cap^{t}. Jn°. BLAKE.	16,600	17	64
W P. No. 4.	One bulse of Diamonds value ... ... By EDWARD FOWKE consigned to ISSAC SALVADORE.	2000	—	—
T N°. 1.	One bulse of Diamonds value £183. 5. 10 ... ... In full returns for a chest of Rough Coral marked N°. 1 imported 1737 ℔ Nottingham.	478	5	32
N N°. 2.	One bulse of Diamonds value £153. 3. —. ... ... In full returns for a chest of Rough Coral marked N N°. 2, imported 1736 ℔ Shaftsbury.	399	19	1
I S No. 2.	One bulse of Diamonds value £156. 11. 5 ... ... In full returns for a chest of Rough Coral marked I S / N / ——N°. 2 imported 1737 ℔ New Castle. By EDWARD FOWKE consigned to JOHN HORNE Esq^{r}.	408	16	34
I H F No. 4.	One bulse of Diamonds value ... ... By EDWARD FOWKE consigned to PETER WALDO.	3150	—	—
H F N°. 1.	One bulse of Diamonds value ... ... By EDWARD FOWKE consigned to THOMAS WATERS.	1000	—	—
E P N°. 1.	One bulse of Diamonds value	1000	—	—

		P.	F.	Ca.
T W N°. 2.	One bulse of Diamonds value	400	—	—
	By NICHOLAS MORSE Esq^r. consigned to JACOB SALVADOR.			
R E N°. 12.	One bulse of Diamonds value £340. 9. 11	888	8	75
	In full returns for a chest of Coral Beads marked R E N. 12. imported 1745 ℔ Lincoln.			
R N°. 1.	One bulse of diamonds value £305. 19. —. ...	798	8	29
	In part returns for a chest of Silver marked R N°. 1, imported 1745 ℔ Royal George.			
	By NICHOLAS MORSE Esq^r. consigned to JAMES PORTON Esq^re.			
G R N°. 67.	One bulse of Diamonds value £271. 10. 9	708	13	18
	In part returns for two chests of Branch Coral marked G R N°. 67 and 68, imported 1745 ℔ Royal George.			
	By NICHOLAS MORSE Esq^r. consigned to SAML. HARTOG LEVY and DAVID LEVY.			
D. S L N°. 1.	One bulse of Diamonds value £271. 17. 3	709	9	50
	In part returns for a chest of Silver marked D S L N°. 1 imported 1745 ℔ Royal George.			
	By NICHOLAS MORSE Esq^r. consigned to NATHAN SALOMONS.			
N S N°. 5.	One bulse of Diamonds value £583. 5. 3	1312	30	65
	In part returns for a chest of Silver marked N S N°. 5 imported 1745 ℔ Kent.			
	By NICHOLAS MORSE Esq^r. consigned to BENJAMIN MENDES DA COSTA.			
M E N°. 2.	One bulse of Diamonds value £271. 15 11	709	1	9
	In part returns for a chest of Silver marked M E N°. 2 imported 1745 ℔ Admiral Vernon.			
	By JOSEPH FOWKE consigned to JACOB SALVADORE.			
I F N°. 2.	One bulse of Diamonds value	1257	6	60
	By MOSES BEREND HEYMAN consigned to HERMAN HENDRICKS.			
H H N°. 4.	One bulse of Diamonds value £400. 6. 3	1044	10	25
	In full returns for a chest marked H H N°. 1 imported 1745 ℔ Kent.			
	By LEVI MOSES consigned to LEVI SOLOMONS ℔ HENRY MOSES.			
L M N°. 2.	One bulse of Diamonds value £741. 8. 6	1934	5	36
	In full returns for two chests of Silver marked L M N°. 1 and 2, imported 1745 ℔ Admiral Vernon and Kent.			
H L S M N°. 1.	One bulse of Diamonds value	370	18	—
	By GEORGE JONES and LEVI MOSES consigned to JOHN GODDARD and HENRY MOSES.			
M N°. 5.	One bulse of Diamonds value	5185	7	56
N°. 6.	One bulse of Diamonds value	1003	18	—
	By JOSEPH FOWKE consigned to JACOB SALVADORE.			
I F. N°. 3.	One bulse of Diamonds value	450	9	—
	By MICHAEL DE GREGORIO consigned to ABRAH^M. and JACOB FRANCO.			
G S S N°. 1.	One box Rubies value ... £49. 9. 6	129	2	20
	In further part returns for seven casks and one chest of Bugles marked G $\frac{8}{S}$ N°. 1 @ 8 imported 1744 ℔ Winchester.			
	By NICHOLAS MORSE Esq^r. consigned to M^rs. ELIZABETH HUBBARD.			
E H N°. 1.	One bulse of Diamonds value	660	14	32
	By NICHOLAS MORSE Esq^r. consigned to M^rs. ANN ROBERTS.			
A R N°. 1.	One bulse of Diamonds value	250	—	—
	By NICHOLAS MORSE Esq^r. and WILLIAM PERCIVAL consigned to RICHARD BENYON Esq^r.			
R B N°. 3.	One bulse of Diamonds value	4476	18	46

		P.	F.	Ca.
	By Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. consigned to John Goddard.			
N M G	One bulse of Diamonds value	800	—	—
	By Nicholas Morse and William Monson Esq^{r}, consigned to Richard Benyon Esq^{r}.			
M M N°. 3.	One bulse of Diamonds value	2725	28	40
	By Joseph Fowke consigned to Jacob Salvadore.			
I F N°. 4.	One bulse of diamonds value	259	31	40
	Pagoda^{s},	69864	9	26

Fort S^{t}. George 31st. January 1745/6.

John Savage.
Sec^{ry}.

Register of diamonds, precious stones, &c. licenced by the President and Council of Fort S^{t}. George to be shipped on the Edgebaston, Captain John Hereford, by the following persons in return for coral and on other accounts Viz^{t}.

		P.	F.	Ca.
	By Solomon Salomons consigned to Abraham and Jacob Franco.			
F A I N°. 2.	One bulse of Diamonds value	2250	—	—
	By Edward Fowke consigned to Thomas Waters.			
EF N°. 2.	One bulse of Diamonds value	1000	—	—
A E N°. 3.	One bulse of Diamonds value	1000	—	—
	By Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. consigned to James Porten.			
G R N°. 68.	One bulse of Diamonds value ... £271. 10. 9 ...	708	13	18
	In full returns for two chests of Branch Coral marked G R N°. 67 and 68 imported 1745 per Royal George.			
	By Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. consigned to Samuel Hartog Levy and David Levy.			
D S L N°. 1.	One bulse of Diamonds value ... £271. 17. 3 ...	709	7	49
	In full returns for a chest of Silver marked D S L N°. 1 imported 1745 per Royal George.			
	By Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. consigned to Jacob Salvadore.			
℞ N°. 1.	One bulse of Diamonds value ... £305. 19. 9 ...	798	8	29
	In full returns for a chest of Silver marked ℞ N°. 1, imported 1745 per Royal George.			
	By Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. consigned to Nathan Salomons.			
N S N°. 5.	One bulse of Diamonds value ... 503. 5. 3 ...	1312	30	65
	In full returns for a chest of silver marked N S N°. 5 imported 1745 per Kent.			
	By Joseph Fowke consigned to Jacob Salvadore.			
I F N°. 1.	One bulse of Diamond value	3000	—	—
	By Leyi Moses, consigned to Levi Salamons & Henry Moses.			
L M N°. 1.	One bulse of Diamonds value ... £741. 8. 6 ...	1934	5	36
	In part returns for two chests of Silver marked L M N°. 1 & 2 imported 1745 per Admiral Vernon and Kent.			
	By Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. and William Percival consigned to Richard Benyon Esq^{r}.			
R B N°. 4.	One bulse of Diamonds value	4276	18	46
	By Nicholas Morse and William Monson Esq^{rs}. consigned to Richard Benyon Esq^{r}.			
M M N°. 4.	One bulse of Diamonds value	2725	28	40
	Pagodas.	19715	4	43

Fort S^{t} George, 31st, Jan^{ry}. 1745/6.

John Savage,
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ACCOUNT PRODUCE OF SUCH CHESTS OF CORAL, SILVER, &C^{T}. FOR WHICH REMITTANCES ARE NOW MADE IN FULL ℔ LINCOLN AND EDGEBASTON.

	Remittances. £ S. D.	Remittances. £ S. D.	Valuation in the Manifests. £ S. D.
⊕ N°. 110. One chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ York.			
Remitted.			
By bulse—January 1744–5 ...	423 14 3		
By bulse—January 1745–6 ...	817 18 1		
		1241 12 4	870 — —
N°. 103. One chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Duke of Dorset			
Remitted.			
By bulse—January 1744–5 ...	946 19 11		
By bulse—January 1745–6 ...	209 18 2		
		1156 18 1	1090 — —
I M E N°. 18. One chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ York.			
Remitted.			
By bulse—January 1744–5 ...	482 7 3		
By bulse—January 1745–6 ...	522 13 7		
		1005 — 10	650 — —
P S N°. 1. One chest of Coral Beads imported 1743 ℔ Princess Amelia.			
Remitted.			
By bulse—January 1743–4 ...	500 16 4		
By bulse—January 1745–6 ...	210 5 6		
		711 1 10	570 — —
A B C N°. 1. One chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Princess of Wales.			
Remitted.			
By bulse—January 1745–6 ...		572 7 10	495 — —
B R N°. 5. One chest of Coral Beads imported 1744 ℔ Beaufort.			
Remitted.			
By bulse—September 1745 ...	271 4 1		
By bulse—January 1745–6 ...	464 7 6		
		735 11 7	700 — —
I S N°. 1. One chest of Coral Beads imported 1745 ℔ Lincoln.			
Remitted.			
By bulse—January 1745–6 ...		246 3 4	200 — —
L S N°. 8. One chest of Rough Coral imported 1738 ℔ Beaufort.			
Remitted.			
By bulse—January 1745–6 ...		191 16 1	184 — —
L S N°. 9. One chest of Rough Coral imported 1738 ℔ Beaufort.			
Remitted.			
By bulse—January 1745–6 ...		190 9 2	179 10 —
A I N°. 7 @ 12. Seven chests of Silver imported 1745 ℔ Kent.			
Remitted.			Silver.
By bulse—January 1745–6 ...		6363 10 5	24000 Ounces
$N°. 1. One chest of Rough Coral imported [...] ℔ Nottingham.			
Remitted.			
By bulse—January 1745–6 ...		183 5 10	145 — —

		Remittances. £	S.	D.	Valuation in the Manifests. £	S.	D.
N N°. 2	One chest of Rough Coral imported 1736 ℔ Shaftsbury. Remitted. By bulse—January 1745–6 ...	153	3	—	140	—	—
G S N°. 2	One chest of Rough Coral imported 1737 ℔ New Castle. Remitted. By bulse—January 1745–6 ...	156	11	5	137	10	—
R. E N°. 12	One chest of Coral Beads imported 1745 ℔ Lincon. Remitted. By bulse—January 1745–6 ...	340	9	11	190	—	—
⊛ N°. 1	One chest of Silver imported 1745 ℔ Royal George. Remitted. By bulse—January 1745-6 | 305 19 9 | 305 19 9 |	611	19	6	Silver 2250 Ouces.		
G R N°. 67 & 68	Two chests of Branch Coral imported 1745 ⛵ Royal George. Remitted. By bulse—January 1745-6 | 371 10 9 | 271 10 9 |	543	1	6	436		
D S L N°. 1	One chest of Silver imported 1745 ℔ Royal George. Remitted. By bulse—January 1745-6 | 271 17 3 | 271 17 3 |	543	14	6	2000 Ounces.		
N S N°. 5	One chest of Silver imported 1745 ℔ Kent. Remitted. By bulse—January 1745-6 | 503 5 3 | 503 5 3 |	1006	10	6	3702, Ounces.		
H H N°. 4	One Chest of Silver imported 1745 ℔ Kent. Remitted. By bulse—January 1745–6 ...	400	6	3	1500 Ounces.		
L M N°. 1 & 2	Two chests of Silver imported 1745 ℔ Admiral Vernon and Kent. Remitted. By bulse—January 1745-6 | 741 8 6 | 741 8 6 |	1482	17	—	5500 Ounces.		

Fort. St. George,
31st. January 1745/6.

John Savage,
Secry.

Manifest of private trade laden on Board the ship Lincoln by Captain John Blake for Europe Viz^{t}.

Amonaicum	12 chests	value	P. 400	—	—
Tincall	81 Duppers	Do.	1800	—	—
Amonaicum in loose package,		Do.	400	—	—
Coffee	75 Bundles	Do.	400	—	—
Rattans	200 Bundles	Do.	70	—	—
Stick Lack in bags		Do.	120	—	—
Piece Goods		Do.	600	—	—
Arrack		Do.	200	—	—
			3990	—	—
		Returned Europe goods	500	—	—
		Pagodas	4490	—	—

John Blake.

List of books in the Fort St. George box packet & Lincoln marked B.

Fort St. George

No. 1	Diaries & Consultations	... ...	1745	From 1st. Janry. 1744/5. To 31 Decr. 1745.
2	Diaries & Consultation	... ...	1746	From 1 To 31 January 1745/6.
3	Letters Received	... 1745, Nos. 1 to 194		From 1st. Janry. 1744/5. To 31 Decr. 1745.
4	Letters Received	... 1746 Nos. 1 to 30		From 1st. To 31 Janry. 1745/6.
5	Letters Sent	... 1745 Nos. 1 to 190		From 1st. January 1744/5. To 31, December 1745.
6	Letters Sent	... 1746 Nos. 1 to 28		From 1st. To 31 January 1745/6.
7	Country Letters Received & Sent	1745 Nos. 1 to 127		From 1st. January 1744/5. To 31 December 1745.
8	Cash Accounts	... ...	1745	From 1st. Janry. 1744/5. To 31 Decr. 1745.
9	Cash Accounts	... ...	1746	From 1st. To 31 Janry. 1745/6.
10	Cowles and Commissions	... ...	1745	From 1 Janry. 1744/5. To 31 Decr. 1745.
11	Cowles and Commissions	... ...	1746	From 1st. To 31 Janry. 1745/6.
12	Ship Book	... ...	1745	From 1st. Janry. 1744/5. To 31 Decr. 1745.
13	Ship Book	... ...	1746	From 1st. To 31 Janry. 1745/6.
14	Journal Letter	... ...	TT	From 1st. May 1744. To 30 April 1745.
15	Leidger Letter	... ...	TT	From 1st. May 1744. To 30 April 1745.
16	Journal Parcels	... ...	VV	From 1st. May To 30 Novr. 1745.
17	Town Mint Register Accountt. Cur.		1745	From 1st. Janry. 1744/5. To 31 Decr. 1745.
18	Pettah Mint Register & Accot. Cur.		1745	From 1st. Janry. 1744/5. To 31 Decr. 1745.
19	Sea Customer's Register & Accot. Cur.		1745	From 1st. Janry. 1744/5. To 31 Decr. 1745.
20.	Land Customer's Register & Accot. Cur.		1745	From 1st. Janry. 1744/5. To 31 Decr. 1755.
21	Export Wareh. kr. Journal & Leidger		...	From 1st. May 1744. To 30 April 1745.
22	Export Warehouse Journal Parcels		...	From 1st. May To 31 Decr. 1745
23	Import Warehouse Journal & Leidger		...	From 1st. May 1744. To 30 April 1745.
24	Import Warehouse Journal Parcels		...	From 1st. May To 31 Decr. 1745.
25	Paymaster's accounts	... ...	1745	From 1st. Janry. 1744/5. To 31 Decr. 1745.
26 27	Store House Journal & Ledger I	...	...	From 1st. May 1744. To 30 April 1745.
28	Storehouse, Receipts, Issues & Remains		...	From 1st. Janry. 1744/5. To 30 Novr. 1745.
29	St. Mary's Church Ledger	...	...	From 1st. Octr. 1744. To 30 Septr. [1745].

30 Proceedings at the Quarter Sessions, Anno 1745.
31 Records of the Court of Appeals, Anno 1745.
32 Copy of the Mayor's Court Leidger, 1745 referr'd to in the 80th. Para of the General Letter. 31st. January 1745/6.
33. Records of the Mayor's Court and Register of Wills, Anno 1745.

Vizagapatam.

34	Journal and ledger Letter S	... ...	...	From 1st. May 1744. To 30 April 1745.

INGERAM.

35 Journal and Leidger, Letter T ... ... From 1st. May 1744. To 30 April 1745.

MADDAPOLLAM.

36 Journal and Leidger, Letter K ... ... From 1st. May 1744. To 30 April 1745.

FORT Sr. GEORGE
1st FEBRY. 1745/6

JOHN SAVAGE,
Secry.

LIST OF BOOKS IN THE FORT Sr. GEORGE PACKET ℔ EDGEBASTON.

No. 1.	Diaries and Consultations, 1745	From 6th. Octr. To 31 Decr. 1745.
2.	Diaries and Consultations, 1746	From 1st. To 31 Janry. 1745/6.
3.	Letters Received, 1745, Nos. 161 to 194 ...	From 1st. Octr. To 31 Decr. 1745.
4.	Letters Received, 1746, Nos. 1 to 30 ...	From 1st. To 31st. Janry. 1745/6.
5.	Letters Sent, 1745, Nos. 153 to 190 ...	From 6 Octr. To 31 Decr. 1745.
6.	Letters Sent, 1746, Nos. 1 to 23	From 1st. To 31st. Janry. 1745/6.
7.	Cash Accounts, 1745	From 1st. Octr. To 31 Decr. 1745.
8.	Cash Accounts, 1746	From 1st. To 31st. Janry. 1745/6.
9.	Cowles & Commissions, 1745	From 6th. Octr. To 31 Decr. 1745.
10.	Cowles & Commissions, 1746	From 1st. To 31st. Janry. 1745/6.
11.	Ship Book, 1745	From 6th. Octr. To 31st. Decr. 1745.
12.	Ship Book, 1746	From 1st. To 31st. Janry. 1745/6.
13.	Sea Customer's Accounts Current, 1745 ...	From 1st. Septr. To 31st. Decr. 1745.
14.	Land Customer's Accounts Current, 1745.	From 1 t. Septr. To 31ss. Decr. 1745.
15.	Paymaster's Accounts Current, 1745 ...	From 1st. Septr. To 31st. Decr. 1745
16.	Town Mint Accounts Current, 1745 ...	From 1st. Septr. To 31st. Decr. 1745.

FORT Sr. GEORGE, 1st. FEBRUARY 1745/6.

JOHN SAVAGE
Secry.

LIST OF PAPERS IN THE FORT Sr. GEORGE PACKET ℔ LINCOLN MARKED A.

FORT Sr. GEORGE.

No. 1. General Letter ℔ Lincoln, Edgebaston and Admiral Vernon dated the 31st. Jan. 1745/6.
2. Duplicate General Letter viâ Tellicherry, dated 23d. December 1745.
3. Triplicate General Letter viâ Bussorah, dated 17th. October 1745.
4. Duplicate General Letter ℔ Dolphin, dated 6th. October 1745.
5. Triplicate General Letter ℔ Benjamin, dated 24th. September 1745.
6. Triplicate Seperate Letter ℔ Benjamin, dated 25 September 1745.
7. Third of Exchange on the Commissioners for victualing the Navy for £ 4,838. 5. 3¼ certified by Commodore Barnet.
8. Second of Exchange on the Commissioners of the Navy for £ Sterlg. 1,287. 13. — drawn by Commodore Barnet.

9. Second Exchange on the Commissioners for victualing the Navy for £ 10,389. 7. 2½ certified by Commodore Barnet.
10. Account of Disburstments on the French Prisoners referred to in the 95th. para of the letter ℔ Lincoln &c^{t}.
11. Copy of the Letter to S^{t}. Helena ℔ Lincoln and Admiral Vernon dated 31st. Jan. 1745/6.
12. Invoice of the Lincoln's cargo amounting to pagodas 145720. 5. 34.
13. Invoice of Old Ordnance and Small Arms ℔ Lincoln Amounting to Pag^{s}. 1509. 11. 33.
14. Duplicate Invoice of the Dolphin's cargo amo^{tg}. to Pag^{s}. 86,966. 8. 29.
15. Copy of the Lincoln's S^{t}. Helena Invoice amounting to Pag^{s} 696. 25. 70.
16. Duplicate copy of the Admiral Vernon's S^{t}. Helena Invoice amo^{tg}. to 267. 14. 77.
17. First Bill of lading for the Lincoln's cargo.
18. First Bill of lading for old ordnance and small Arms ℔ Lincoln.
19. Second Bill of lading for the Dolphin's cargo.
20. Dolphin's Bengal Bill of lading referr'd to in the 110th. para ℔ Lincoln.
21. Bill of Lading for S^{t}. Helena goods ℔ Lincoln.
22. Calculate of the Lincoln's Tonnage.
23. Account of packing stuff in 1705 bales of coast goods ℔ Lincoln.
24. Register of Diamonds and Precious Stones licenced ℔ Lincoln.
25. Duplicate register of Diamonds and Precious Stones licenced ℔ Edgebaston.
26. Account produce of Coral and Silver for which remittances are made in full ℔ Lincoln and Edgebaston.
27. Manifest of presents licenced ℔ Lincoln.
28. Muster Roll of the Lincoln's crew.
29. List of the Lincoln's ordnance and warlike stores.
30. Captain Blake's Manifest of private trade.
31. Copy of the Lincoln's dispatch dated 1st. Feb^{ry}. 1745/6.
32. Additional Indent for woolen goods for 1747.
33. Triplicate Indent for woolen goods for 1747.
34. Triplicate Import Warehouse indent for goods for use and sale for 1747.
35. Triplicate Indent for stores for 1747.
36. Triplicate Indent for the Assay Office for 1747.
37. Triplicate Indent for medicines for 1747.
38. Calculate of quick stock 31st. January 1745/6.
39. Price current, 1745.
40. Account current of the estate of Joseph Goddard deceased.
41. Abstract of the Nabob's expences for 1745.
42. List of Revenues from 1st January 1744–45 to 31st. December 1745.
43. List of Covenanted Servants on the coast of Chormandel.
44. List of Inhabitants, Women and Sea-faring men.
45. Register of Births, Christnings, Marriages and Burials.
46. List of Persons who have died under the care of the surgeons with their distempers, 1745.
47. Muster rolls of the four companies of soldiers, 1745.
48. Muster roll of the Gunroom Crew, 1745.
49. List of Peons and Country Musick, 1745.
50. Captain Pigot's second receipt for stores supplied him for the use of the Dolphin.
51. Captain Pigot's second receipt for Pag^{s}. 750 advanc'd him on acco^{t}. of ship Dolphin.
52. Captain Pigot's second receipt for his packet.
53. Surgeon of the Dolphin's second receipt for headmoney on ten soldiers.
54. Three Surgeons first receipts for head money, Viz^{t}.
    of John de La Masier on 13 soldiers ℔ Royal George.
    of James Wilson on 7 ℔ Kent.
    of James [Lorimer] on 2 ℔ Scarbrô.

55. Five current pagodas of the cash.
56. List of books in the box packet ℔ Lincoln marked B.

PAPERS APART CONTAINING N^os^. 57, 58, 59, 60.

57. FORT S^T^. GEORGE accounts of advances to and cloths brought in by the merchants from 1^st^. January 1744/5 to 31^st^. Dec^r^. 1745, Viz^t^.
    N°. 1. Gundaveddy Vencata Rama and Nella Chittee their Account.
    2. Sunca Vencata Rama and Ambaltaudy their Account.
    3. Telisinga Chittee and Nellamoota Comrapa Chittee their Account.
    4. Teremungalum Comrapa his account.
    5. Molinga Kistna his Account.
    6. Ponapa Chittee his Account.
    7. Tomby Chittee &^t^. merchants their Account.
    8. Pondaram &c^t^. Managers of Chindadre Pettah their Account.

N. 58. FORT S^T^. DAVID papers Viz^t^.
N°. 2. Andiapah Moodilair's acco^t^. cur^rt^. } To 31^st^. December 1745.
3. Narrain Chittee's account } From 1^st^. Jan^ry^. 1744–.
4. Irsapah Chittee's account } To 31 Dec^r^. 1745.
5. Sunca Latchme Puttee's account }
6. Calculates of the Expences and Revenues, 1745 compared with 1744.
7. List of debts outstanding on the general books ending April 1745.
8. List of the Hon'ble Company's Revenues Anno 1745.
9. Account of the Cuddalore Sea Customs for 1745.
10. Account of the Cuddalore Land Customs for 1745.
11. Abstract of Tevenapatam Customs for 1745 compared with 1744.
12. Muster rolls of the 2 companies of Soldiers and Gunroom Crew.
13. Surgeon's Indent for Medicines dated 22^d^. January 1745-6.
14. List of military's arrival, entering and renewing their contracts in the 1^st^. company of soldiers, 31 Dec^r^. 1745.
15. List of Military's arrival Entering and Renewing their Contracts in the 2^d^. company of soldiers 31 Dec^r^. 1745.
16. List of Covenanted Servants for 1745.
17. List of Christnings, Marriages and Burials for 1745.
18. Surgeon's List of Deaths for 1745.
19. List of Debts and Credits on the Estate of M^r^. John Graham [deceased] dated 23^d^. January 1745/6.

N. 59. VIZAGAPATAM papers Viz^t^.
N. 1. Merchant's accounts for the year ending 30^th^. November 1745.
2. List of Persons who have died under the care of the surgeon 1745.
60. Ingeram merchant's accounts.
61. Plans of Fort S^t^. George and Fort S^t^. David referr'd to in the 42^d^. and 53^d^. para^s^. ℔ Lincoln &c^t^.

FORT S^T^. GEORGE, 1^ST^. FEBRUARY 1745/6.

JOHN SAVAGE
Sec^ry^.

LIST OF THE FORT S^T^. GEORGE PACKET EDGEBASTON.
FORT S^T^. GEORGE.

N^os^ 1. Duplicate General Letter ℔ Lincoln, Edgebaston and Admiral Vernon' dated the 31^st^. January 1745/6.
2. Triplicate General Letter viâ Tellicherry dated 23^d^. December 1745.
3. Triplicate General Letter ℔ Dolphin dated 6^th^. October 1745.
4. Third of exchange on the commissioners of the Navy for £ sterling 1287. 13—drawn by Commodore Barnett.

5. Third of exchange on the commissioners for victualing the Navy for £ 10,389. 7, 2½ certified by Commodore Barnett.
6. Account of disbursements on the French prisoners referred to in the 95th. para of the letter ℔ Lincoln &c^{t}.
7. Computation of the sorts and value of the goods returned to Calcutta from the Edgebaston.
8. Duplicate Invoice of the Lincoln's cargo amounting to Pags. 1,45,720. 5. 34.
9. Duplicate Invoice of old ordnance and small arms ℔ Lincoln amounting to Pags. 1509. 11. 33.
10. Duplicate Invoice of old ordnance ℔ Admiral Vernon amo^{ts}. to P. 999. 24. 60.
11. Second Bill of Lading for old ordnance and small arms ℔ Lincoln.
12. Second Bill of Lading for old ordnance ℔ Admiral Vernon.
13. Duplicate additional indent for woolen goods for 1747.
14. Register of Diamonds and Precious Stones licenced ℔ Edgebaston.
15. Duplicate register of Diamonds and Precious Stones licenced ℔ Lincoln.
16. Duplicate additional register of Diamonds and Precious Stones licenced ℔ Dolphin.
17. Account produce of Coral &c^{t}. for which remittances are made in full per Lincoln and Edgebaston.
18. Duplicate additional account produce of Coral &c^{t}. for which remittances were made in full ℔ Dolphin.
19. Abstracts of the Nabob's expences 1745.
20. Account current of the estate of Joseph Goddard.
21. List of Revenues, 1745.
22. List of Covenanted Servants on the coast of Chormandel, 1745.
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26. Muster roll of the four companies of soldiers
27. Muster roll of the gunroom crew 1745.
28. List of Peons and Country Musick 1745.
29. Muster roll of the Edgebaston's crew.
30. List of the Edgebaston's ordnance and warlike stores.
31. Three surgeons second receipts for headmoney Viz^{t}.
    Of John De La Masier on 13 soldiers ℔ Royal George
    Of James Wilson on 7 ℔ Kent
    Of James Lorimer on 2 ℔ Scarbrough.
32. Copy of Captain Hereford's dispatch dated 1st. February 1745/6.
33. List of books in the Fort S^{t}. George packet ℔ Edgebaston.

APART.

34. Bengal papers respecting the Edgebaston Viz^{t}.
    N. 3. Invoice of her cargo amounting to current Rs. 10,16,500.
    4. First bill of lading for her cargo.
    5. Account of her Tonage.
    6. Account of packing stuff expended on her cargo.
    7. Captain Herefords receipt for his Bengal packets.
35. Plans of Fort S^{t}. George and Fort S^{t}. David, referr'd to in the 42nd. and 53^{d}. para of the letter ℔ Lincoln &c^{t}.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE, 1ST. FEBRUARY 1745/6

[JOHN] SAVAGE *Sec^{RY}.*

LIST OF PAPERS IN THE FORT ST. GEORGE PACKET ℔ ADMIRAL VERNON.
FORT ST. GEORGE.

N. 1. Triplicate Letter ℔ Lincoln, Edgebaston and Admiral Vernon dated the 31st. January 1745/6.
2. Fourth of exchange on the commissioners of the navy for £ sterling 1287£. 13s. drawn by Commodore Barnett.
3. Fourth of exchange on the commissioners for victualing the navy for £ Sterlg. 10389. 7. 2½ certified by Commodore Barnett.
4. Copy of the Letter to St. Helena by the Lincoln and Admiral Vernon dated 31st. January 1745/6.
5. Duplicate copy of the Letter to St. Helena by the Dolphin dated 6th. Oct. 1745.
6. Invoice of old Ordnance ℔ Admiral Vernon amounting to Pags. 999. 24. 60.
7. Copy of the Admiral Vernon's St. Helena invoice amots. to Pags. 267. 14. 77.
8. Duplicate copy of the Lincoln's St. Helena Invoice amots. to Pags. 696. 25. 70.
9. First Bill of Lading for old ordnance ℔ Admiral Vernon.
10. Bill of Lading for the Admiral Vernon's St. Helena tonage.
11. Second Bill of Lading for the Lincoln's cargo.
12. Triplicate additional Indent for woollen goods for 1747.
13. Manifest of presents licenced ℔ Admiral Vernon.
14. Captain Cooke's request for surplus saltpetre.
15. Calculate of quick stock the 31st. January 1745/6.
16. Price Current 1745.
17. Abstract of the Nabob's expences 1745.
18. List of Revenues 1745.
19. List of Covenanted Servants on the coast of Chormandel 1745.
20. List of Inhabitants Women and Sea-faring men 1745.
21. Register of Births, Christnings, Marriages and Burials 1745.
22. Muster roll of the four companies of Soldiers 1745.
23. Muster roll of the Gunroom Crew 1745.
24. List of peons and country musick 1745.

N. 25. Covenants executed Vizt.

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Foss Westcott	Factors.
William Perceival	
George Jones	
Dawsonne Drake	Writers.
William Smith King	
Andrew Munro	Free Merchant.

26. Fort St. George, Accounts of Advances to and Cloths brought in by the Merchants from 1st. January 1744/5 to 31st. Decr. 1745 Vizt.

N. 1. Gundaveddy Vencata Ramah and Nella Chittee their account.
2. Sunca Vencata Rama and Ambaltaudy their account.
3. Telesinga Chittee and Nella Moota Comrapa Chittee their account.
4. Tremungalom Comrapa his account.
5. Molinga Kistna his account.
6. Ponapa Chittee his account.
7. Tomby Chittee &ct. merchants their account.
8. Pondaram &ct. managers of Chindadre Pettah their account.

27. Vizagapatam papers Vizt.

N°. 1. Merchants accounts for the year ending 30th November 1745.
2. List of persons who have died under the care of the surgeon, 1745.

FORT ST. GEORGE, 1st. FEBRUARY 1745/6.

JOHN SAVAGE,
Secry.

LETTER TO CAPTAIN EDMUND COOKE, DATED JANUARY 31, 1746.

[*Public Despatches to England, Vol.* 15, *p.* 111.]

To CAPTAIN EDMUND COOKE
COMMANDER OF THE ADMIRAL VERNON

SIR

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your ship and make the best of your way to the Port of London in Great Britain. The First Port you arrive at in England you are to send your Purser overland with the packet herewith delivered you directed to the Honourable the Court of Directors for Affairs of the Honourable the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies at their House in Leaden Hall Street, London, taking care to write to them yourself and to give them an account of any thing remarkable you may meet with in your voyage.

Our Hoñ'ble Masters having ordered our President to give you the needful Instructions for your conduct in your homeward bound Passage in the present situation of affairs in Europe we hereby enjoin and require your strictest observance of such as you shall receive from him.

If you touch at the Cape it will be acceptable to the Governor and Council of S^{t}. Helena that you carry them a supply of Garden Seeds, Plants &c^{t}

We wish you a good voyage and date this in Fort S^{t}. George this 31st. day of January 1745/6.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
JOHN HINDE.
THOMAS EYRE.
[EDWARD HARRIS.]
[WILLIAM JOHNSON.]
[EDWARD FOWKE.]

JOHN SAVAGE,
Sec .

LETTER TO CAPTAIN JOHN BLAKE, DATED FEBRUARY 1, 1746.

[*Public Despatches to England, Vol.* 15, *p.* 112.]

To CAPTAIN JOHN BLAKE
COMMANDER OF THE LINCOLN

SIR,

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your ship and make the best of your way to the Port of London in Great Britain; herewith are delivered you two packets marked A & B directed to the Honourable the Court of Directors for Affairs of the Honourable the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies at their House in Leaden Hall Street, London. The first port you arrive at in England, you are to send your Purser overland with that marked A which he is to deliver as directed taking care to write to them yourself, and to give them an Account of any thing remarkable that you may meet with in the voyage, the other Packet marked B you are to keep till further orders from them.

Our Honourable Masters having order'd our President to give you the needful instructions for your conduct in your homeward bound passage in the present situation of affairs in Europe we hereby enjoin and require your strictest observations of such as you shall Receive from him.

If you touch at the Cape it will be acceptable to the Governour and Council of S^{t}. Helena that you carry them a supply of Garden Seeds, Plants &c^{ta}.

We wish you a Good voyage and date this in Fort S^{t}. George, this first day of February 1745/6.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
EDWARD FOWKE.

LETTER TO CAPTAIN JOHN HEREFORD, DATED FEBRUARY 1, 1746.

[*Public Despatches to England, Vol.* 15, *p.* 113.]

To CAPTAIN JOHN HEREFORD,
COMMANDER OF THE EDGEBASTON.

SIR

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your ship and make the best of your way to the Port of London in Great Britain. The first Port you arrive at in England you are to send your purser overland with the Packet herewith delivered you directed to the Hon'ble the Court of Directors for Affairs of the Honourable the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies at their House in Leaden Hall Street, London, taking care to write to them yourself and to give them an account of any thing remarkable you may meet with in your voyage.

Our Honourable Masters having ordered our President to give you the needful instructions for your homeward bound passage in the present situation of affairs in Europe we hereby enjoin and require your strictest observance of such as you shall receive from him.

If you touch at the Cape it will be acceptable to the Governour and Council of S^{t}. Helena to carry them a supply of Garden Seeds, Plants &c^{a}.

We wish you a good voyage and date this in Fort S^{t}. George, this first day of February 1745/6.

NICHOLAS MORSE
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
[EDWARD] FOWKE.

LETTER TO CAPTAIN JOHN BLAKE, DATED FEBRUARY 1, 1746.

[*Public Despatches to England, vol.* 15 *p.* 114].

To CAPTAIN JOHN BLAKE
COMMANDER OF THE LINCOLN.

SIR

You are hereby ordered to receive on board your ship the undermentioned persons and to transport them to England being French Prisoners taken by his Majesty's squadron under the command of Commodore Barnett and they are sent home by his directions and to be maintain'd at the King's expence during the Passage and to be delivered up there to the proper officers :—

ESTIENE MAWONE.
MICHEL BINÉ.
JEAN FRANCOIS DILINON.
HONORÉ TOSCANOT.
MATURIN TORLET.
ALEXIS YONS.
LA PLACÉ, SURGEON MAJOR

DATED IN FORT ST. GEORGE, THIS DAY OF 1ST FEBRUARY 745/6.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MNSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
EDWARD FOWKE.

LETTER TO CAPTAIN J. HEREFORD, DATED FEBRUARY 1, 1746.

[*Public Despatches to England, vol.* 15, *p* 115.]

TO CAPTAIN JOHN HEREFORD
COMMANDER OF THE EDGEBASTON

SIR

You are hereby ordered to receive on board your ship the undermentioned Persons and to transport them to England being French prisoners taken by his Majesty's squadron under the command of Commodore Barnett and they are sent home by his directions and to be maintain'd at the King's expence during the Passage and to be delivered up there to the Proper Officers.

CHARLE VAPEUR.
PIERE LABER.
AUGUSTINE RENE.
FRANCOIS RADAUS.
FRANCOIS AUDEBERT.
ANDRE DUREAU.

DATED IN FORT ST. GEORGE, THIS FIRST DAY OF FEBRY. 1745/6.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM [JOHNSON.]
[JOHN SAVAGE].
[EDWARD FOWKE.]

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED FEBRUARY 7, 1746.

[*Public Despatches to England, vol.* 15, p. 116 & 117.]

TO THE HONOURABLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS FOR AFFAIRS OF THE
HONOURABLE THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND
TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES.

HONOURABLE

By your ships Lincoln and Edgebaston who were dispatched from hence the 1st. instant and saild the next day to join the Men of War and Admiral Vernon, we wrote you fully concerning your Affairs: since then nothing has occured, except the arrival of his Majesty's ship the Medway's Prize who brought into port with him, the Resto ration formerly the Charles belonging to Mr. Duplex which Mr. Schonamilli's people had carry'd off from Mergy and were going with her up Ganges when Capt. Griffin secured both ship and men of which 24 were English.

Several messengers have within these few days brought advice to our Nabob that Nizam had pass'd the Kistna in his way to this province and [that the Mo]rattas are on this side that River also, which [being dis]agreeable news to the People, and [gives us no hopes] of engaging any tranquillity long.

We are
HONOURABLE,
Your faithful humble servants

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
EDWARD FOWKE.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
7TH. FEBRUARY 1745/6.

LIST OF THE FORT S^{T}. DAVID PACKET TO ENGLAND ℔ ADMIRAL VERNON.

N^{o}. 1. Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council [of Fort S^{t}. David] to the Honourable the Court of Directors ℔ ship Lincoln.
2. Annual Letter to the Honourable President and [Council of Fort S^{t}. David] dated the 23^{d}. January 1745/6.
3. Invoice of Ship Admiral Vernon's cargo [amot^{s}. to Pag^{s}. 164864. 15. 28.]
4. Bill of Laden for the Admiral [Vernon's Europe cargo].
5. List of Packing stuff on 1737 [bales laden on board the Admiral] Vernon at Fort S^{t}. George and F^{t}. S^{t}. David.
6. Muster roll of the Admiral [Vernon's men].
7. List of the Admiral Vernon's [amunition and warlike stores.]
8. The [Admiral Vernon's Account Tonnage.]
9. Captain [Edmund Cooke's obligation for 450 Pagodas supplyed with on account of his owners.]
10. Andiapah Modelair's account current for the year 1745.
11. Narrain Chittys account current for the year 1745.
12. Irshapah Chittys account current for the year 1745.
13. Suncho Latchmiaputty's account current for the year 1745.
14. Calculate of the expences and revenues of this settlement for the year 1745 compared with the former.
15. List of Debts outstanding in Books, Letter S. S ending April 1745.
16. List of the Honourable Company's Revenues, for the Year 1745.
17. Abstracts of the Sea Customs of Cuddalore for the Year 1745.
18. Abstracts of the Land Customs of Cuddalore for the Year 1745.
19. Abstracts of the Sea and Land Customs of Tevenapatam for the year 1745.
20. Muster roll of the two companies of foot soldiers and gunroom crew.
21. Surgeon's indent for medicines.
22. List of Military's arrival, entering and renewing their contract in the first company of soldiers 1745.
23. List of Military's arrival, entering and renewing their contract in the second company of soldiers 1745.
24. List of the Honourable Company's covenanted servants, 1745.
25. List of Christnings, Marriages, and Burials for the year 1745.
26. Surgeon's List of deaths for the year 1745.
27. List of Debts and Credits on the estate of M^{r}. John Graham, deceased.
28. A Manifest of Captain Cooke's Private trade on board the ship Admiral Vernon.
29 [Consultations] ℔m^{o}. January to ℔m^{o}. February 1745/6.
[30. An account] of the Investment for the Year 1745.
[31. Bill of] laden for the Admiral Vernon surplus Cargo.
32. List of the Pacquet.

[33.] ℔ Ship Admiral Vernon.
[34. ...] Year 1745.
[35. ...] Letter S S ending April 1745.
[36. ...] for the year 1745.

FORT S^{T}. DAVID, THE 1ST. FEBRUARY 1745/6

THOMAS COOKE *Jun^{r}.*
Sec^{ry}.

LIST OF THE FORT S^{T}. DAVID PACKET TO ENGLAND ℔ LINCOLN.

N^{o}. 1. Duplicate of Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David, to the Honourable the Court of Directors ℔ ship Admiral Vernon.
2. Annual Letter to the Honourable President and Council of Fort S^{t}. George, dated the 23^{d}. January 1745/6.
3. Invoice of ship Admiral Vernon's cargo amount^{g}. to Pag^{s}. 164,864. 15. 28.
4. Bill of Laden for the Admiral Vernon's Europe cargo.
5. List of packing stuff on 1737 bales laden on board the Admiral Vernon at Fort S^{t}. George and S^{t}. David.
6. Muster roll of the Admiral Vernon's men.
7. List of the Admiral Vernon's amunition and warlike stores.
8. The Admiral Vernon's Account Tonnage.
9. Captain Edmund Cooke's obligation for 450 pagodas supplyed with on account of his owners.
10. Andeapah Modelair's account current for the year 1745.
11. Narain Chitty's account current for the year 1745.
12. Irsapah Chitty's account current for the year 1745.
13. Suncha Latchmiputty's account current for the year 1745.
14. Calculate of the expences and revenues of this settle[ment for the] year 1745 compared with the former.
15. List of Debts outstanding in books, Letter S. S [ending April 1745]
16. List of the Honourable Company's Revenues for [the year 1745].
17. Abstracts of the Sea customs of Cuddalore [for the year 1745].
18. Abstracts of the Land customs of Cuddalore [for the year 1745].
19. Abstracts of the Sea and Land customs [of Tevenapatam for the year 1745].
20. Muster roll of the two compa[nys of foot soldiers and gunroom crew].
21. Surgeon's indent for [medicines].
22. List of military's arrival, [entering and renewing their contracts in] the first company of Soldiers, 31st December 1745.
23. List of Military's [arrival, entering and renewing their contracts in the second company of soldiers, 31st December 1745].
24. List of the Honourable Company's Covenanted Servants, 1745.
25. List of Christnings, Marriages and Burrials for the year 1745.
26. Surgeon's List of deaths for the year 1745.
27. List of Debts and Credits on the estate of M^{r}. John Graham deceased.
28. Manifest of Captain Cookes Private trade on board the ship Admiral Vernon.
29. Account of the Investment for the year 1745.
30. Bill of Laden for the Admiral Vernon surplus cargo.
31. Copy of Captain Cooke's order to receive six French prisoners on board the Admiral Vernon.
32. Copy of Captain Cooke's dispatch.
33. List of the Pacquet.

FORT S^{T}. DAVID, THE 5TH. FEBRUARY 1745/6

THOMAS COOKE *Jun^{r}.*
Sec^{ry}.

MANIFEST OF PRIVATE TRADE LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP [ADMIRAL] VERNON BY CAPTAIN EDMUND COOKE FOR EUROPE VIZ^{T}.

[. . .]	Bulse of Diamonds belonging to Cap^{t}. Webster deceased pag^{s}.	2,500	—	—
[. . .]	3 Bales of Gingham	333	—	—
[. . .]	1 D^{o}. Chints	238	—	—
[. . .]	8 Chests Seed lack	246	—	—
[. . .]	Chests Amaniacum	141	—	—
[. . .]	Worm seed	84	—	—
[. . .]	Cashia	332	—	—
	Pagodas ...	3,874	—	—

EDMUND COOKE.

LETTER TO CAPTAIN EDMUND COOKE, DATED FEBRUARY 11, 1746.

[*Public Despatches to England, Vol.* 15, *p.* 121].

TO CAPTAIN EDMUND COOKE
COMMANDER OF SHIP ADMIRAL VERNON.

SIR

Your are hereby ordered to receive on board your ship, six French prisoners, for which Commodore Barnett has promised to be accountable for six pence ℔ day for each man, being his Majesty's allowance which your owners are to receive while they are on board your ship.

We are
SIR
Your most obd^{t}. humble Servants

FORT S^{T}. DAVID
11TH. FEBRUARY 1745/6.

JOHN [HINDE]
EDWARD [CROKE]
CHARLES [FLOYER]
WILLIAM [HOLT]
[ALEXANDER WYNCH]
THOMAS COOKE *Jun^{r}.*

LETTER TO CAPTAIN WILLIAM SEDGWICK, DATED JUNE 9, 1746.

[*Public Despatches to England, Vol.* 15, *pp.* 121 & 122].

TO CAPTAIN WILLIAM SEDGWICK
COMMANDER OF THE LONDON.

SIR,

[*A few lines lost*] Commodore Barnett. They are to be maintained at the Kings expence during the passage and to be delivered up there to the proper officers.

RENÉ BALUET. ESTEENNE ROUSEL.
JOSEPH RENARD. PIERRE PARIS.

DATED IN FORT S^{T}. GEORGE THIS 9TH. DAY OF JUNE 1746.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
JOHN STRATTON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
EDWARD FOWKE.

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED FEBRUARY 1, 1746.

Per ship admiral Vernon. Received per Lincoln, August 30, 1746—

[*Factory Records, Fort St. David, Vol.* 10, *pp.* 5–6 (*India office transcript*).]

TO THE HONOURABLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HONBLE. THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADEING TO THE EAST INDIES.

HONOURABLE,

This waits on your Honours by your Ship the Admiral Vernon which arrived here the 18th Ultimo, and Came Consigned to us by the President and Council of Fort St. George, In order to have her Loading Compleated at this Place, and to be dispatch'd to Great Britain. She received on board there her Salt Petre, Red Wood, and One hundred and Fifty Bales, which we have put on board, as we have Fifteen hundred and Sixty three Bales Provided at this Settlement, Invoice of the whole Amounting to One hundred Twenty Seven Thousand Seven hundred Thirty Two Pagodas Thirty One fanams and Forty Cash 127732.31.40 Comes Inclosed herein, as does first Bill of Lading for the Same, and by our Computation her whole Cargo Amounts to One Ton Sixteen hundred and Three Quarters 1.16.3 Over and above her Charter Party Tonnage.

Your Honours will be pleased to observe we have put on board Three hundred and Ten Bales of Brown Cloth, which we were directed to do from Fort St. George In Case we had not white Sufficient to Compleat her Tonnage, which we wish may Turn to Account. Altho' the Seasons throughout the whole Year have been very unfavourable for Washing and Curing the Cloth we have from the first of February last, Sent to Madrass Three hundred and Seventeen Bales of last Years Investment, Seven hundred and Twenty Eight of this, and put on board this Ship Twelve hundred and Fifty three besides the Three hundred and Ten of Brown. Our whole Investment at the End of January Account will Amount to Upwards of Two Thousand Eight hundred Bales, and for the reasons we had not more we beg leave to referr you to our Anual Letter to the Presidency as we take the Liberty to do for all other Transactions at this Settlement for the Past Year.

Captain Cooke Petitioned for Four hundred and Fifty Pagodas for his Ships Use which we have advanced him and in the Pacquet comes his Obligation for the same, as we were not Certain of the Exchange and Premium Usual in these Cases, he has left that to be Settled by your Honours in England.

This Ship being Compleatly Laden, we Shall dispatch her this day, after which She will wait for the Lyncoln and Edgebaston which we hourly Expect and his Majesties Ships the Deptford and Dolphin are now Standing in, under whose Convoy they will Sail.

Commodore Barnet is now Cruizeing off Pondicherry, in his Majesties Ship the Harwich, the Medway, Preston, and Lively in Company, and the Winchester and Medways Prize Expected Daily to Joyn him.

We wish these Ships a Safe and Speedy Passage and are with the Utmost Respect

HONOURABLE
Your most Faithful and most
Obedient Humble Servants

JOHN HINDE.
EDW. CROKE.
CHARLES FLOYER
WILLM. HOLT.
ALEXR. WYNCH.
THOMAS COOKE *Junr.*

FORT ST. DAVID
THE 1ST FEBRY. 1745/6.

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